

Before the  
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20554

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In the Matter of  
South Arkansas Telephone Company  
Application for authority pursuant  
To Section 214 of the  
Communications Act of 1934,  
As amended, for global authority  
To operate as an international resale carrier

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**Application**

South Arkansas Telephone Company hereby requests authority, pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. Section 214 (1982), and Section 63.18 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. Section 63.18, to provide global international resale services between the United States and international points.

South Arkansas Telephone Company is an Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier that wishes to provide international telecommunications services. South Arkansas Telephone Company has no foreign affiliations. South Arkansas Telephone Company serves residential and business customers in Arkansas.

By granting this application, the Commission will serve the public interest, convenience and necessity by promoting competition in the international services market. Competition will benefit U.S. consumers by increasing service options and lowering prices. Thus, the public interest will be served by the grant of Section 214 authority to South Arkansas Telephone Company.

**Section 63.18 Information**

The following information is submitted, as required by Section 63.18 of the Commission's Rules, in support of South Arkansas Telephone Company's request for authorization.

(a) South Arkansas Telephone Company  
1<sup>st</sup> & Main Street  
P O Box 778  
Hampton, AR 71744  
(870) 798-2201

(b) South Arkansas Telephone Company is a corporation organized under the laws of the state of Arkansas.

(c) Correspondence concerning this application should be sent to:

David L. Wells  
Vice President and General Manager  
South Arkansas Telephone Company  
P O Box 778  
Hampton, AR 71744  
(870) 798-2201

and

Greg Ashcraft  
Controller  
South Arkansas Telephone Company  
P O Box 130  
Sheridan, AR 72150  
(870) 942-4344

- (d) South Arkansas Telephone Company has not received authority previously under Section 214 of the Communications Act.
- (e) South Arkansas Telephone Company requests global international resale Section 214 authority pursuant to the terms and conditions of Section 63.18(e)(2) of the Commission's Rules.
- (f) At this time, South Arkansas Telephone Company seeks no other authorization available under Section 63.18 (e).
- (g) Not applicable.
- (h) South Arkansas Telephone Company certifies that it is not affiliated with any foreign or U.S. facilities-based carrier.

In support of this certification, the name, address, citizenship and principal business of the sole shareholder that controls ten percent or more of South Arkansas Telephone Company is as follows:

David L. Wells  
Vice President and General Manager  
South Arkansas Telephone Company  
P O Box 778  
Hampton, AR 71744  
(870) 798-2201  
Principal Business: V.P. & General Manager of Telecommunications Corporation  
Citizenship: U.S.A.

- (i) South Arkansas Telephone Company certifies that it has not agreed and will not agree in the future to accept any direct or indirect special concessions from a foreign carrier or administration with regards to traffic or revenue flows between the United States and any foreign countries the company is authorized to serve.
- (j) South Arkansas Telephone Company certifies that no party to this application has been denied federal benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

**Conclusion**

In conclusion, South Arkansas Telephone Company certifies that all of the information in this application is accurate and correct.

For these reasons, South Arkansas Telephone Company respectfully requests that the Commission grant this application.

Respectfully submitted,

SOUTH ARKANSAS TELEPHONE COMPANY

By:



David L. Wells  
Vice President and General Manager  
South Arkansas Telephone Company  
P O Box 778  
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Date: 1-3-01