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LAVACA TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.
ITC-214-20010205-00072

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

In the Matter of
Lavaca Telephone Company, Inc.
Application for authority pursuant
To Section 214 of the
Communications Act of 1934,
As amended, for global authority
To operate as an international facilities-based
and resale carrier

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Application

Lavaca Telephone Company, Inc. 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 facilities-based and resale services between the United States and international points.

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

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 Lavaca Telephone Company, Inc.

Section 63.18 Information

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

- (a) Lavaca Telephone Company, Inc.
301 Highway 96 SW
P. O. Box 230
Lavaca, AR 72941
(501) 674-2211

- (b) Lavaca Telephone Company, Inc. is a corporation organized under the laws of the state of Arkansas.

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

Keith Gibson
President
Lavaca Telephone Co., Inc.
P. O. Box 230
Lavaca, AR 722941

(d) Lavaca Telephone Company, Inc. has not received authority previously under Section 214 of the Communications Act.

(e) Lavaca Telephone Company, Inc. requests global facilities-based Section 214 authority pursuant to the terms and condition of Section 63.18(e)(1) of the Commission's Rules, and 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, Lavaca Telephone Company, Inc. seeks no other authorization available under Section 63.18 (e).

(g) Not applicable.

(h) Lavaca Telephone Company, Inc. 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:

Clyde M. Gibson
P. O. Box 230
Lavaca, Arkansas 72941
U.S. Citizen

Principal Business: Chairman and CEO of Lavaca Telephone Company, Inc.

Ruby J. Gibson
P. O. Box 230
Lavaca, Arkansas 72941
U.S. Citizen

Principal Business: Secretary, Lavaca Telephone Company, Inc.

Michael K. Gibson
10009 Foxboro Rd.
Fort Smith, Arkansas 79203
U.S. Citizen

Principal Business: President, Lavaca Telephone Company, Inc.

Richard D. Gibson
P. O. Box 230
Lavaca, Arkansas 72941
U.S. Citizen
Principal Business: Vice-President, Lavaca Telephone Company, Inc.

Gregory N. Gibson
P. O. Box 230
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U.S. Citizen
Principal Business: Vice-President, Lavaca Telephone Company, Inc.

Tammy J. Nolan
2713 Fianna Circle
Fort Smith, Arkansas 72908
U.S. Citizen
Principal Business: Homemaker

(i) Lavaca Telephone Company, Inc. 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) Lavaca Telephone Company, Inc. 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, Lavaca Telephone Company, Inc. certifies that all of the information in this application is accurate and correct.

For these reasons, Lavaca Telephone Company, Inc. respectfully requests that the Commission grant this application.

Respectfully submitted,

LAVACA TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.

By: Keith Gibson

Keith Gibson
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Date: January 31, 2001