

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)	CASE NO. GNT-T-03-1
OF GRANITE TELECOMMUNICATIONS,)	
LLC FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC)	NOTICE OF APPLICATION
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO)	
PROVIDE LOCAL EXCHANGE)	NOTICE OF MODIFIED
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES.)	PROCEDURE
)	
)	ORDER NO. 29409

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on October 9, 2003, Granite Telecommunications, LLC ("Granite" or "Company") filed an Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide facilities-based and resold competitive local exchange and interexchange services throughout the State of Idaho. Granite's Application also seeks permission to offer intrastate toll services.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Granite is principally located in Quincy, Massachusetts and is a privately held Limited Liability Company formed under the laws of Delaware on April 1, 2002. Although Granite does not maintain offices in Idaho, the Company asserts that it is certified and in good standing with the State of Idaho to conduct business as a foreign business entity.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Granite would provide service mainly utilizing Unbundled Network Elements Platform (UNE-P) leased or purchased from Qwest Corporation and Verizon. Granite does not presently have plans to build any facilities of its own in Idaho, but does not foreclose the possibility of constructing such facilities in the future. Granite does not currently provide any services within the State of Idaho. At the time of this Application, Granite has made a request for interconnection with Qwest Corporation, but has not entered into any interconnection agreement or other agreement to begin telecommunications services within the State of Idaho.

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YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Granite will provide services primarily to business customers. Granite proposes to offer all forms of local exchange service, including but not limited to the following services:

- Local exchange services for business and residence customers that will enable customers to originate and terminate local calls in the local calling area served by the incumbent local exchange carriers (ILECs);
- Switched local exchange services, including basic service, trunks, carrier access, and any other switched local services that currently exist or will exist in the future;
- CENTREX and/or CENTREX-like services that currently exist or will exist in the future;
- Operator assistance and directory assistance (via its underlying carriers); and
- Digital subscriber line, ISDN, and other high capacity line services.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that although the Company proposes to initially offer its services in the service areas currently served by Qwest Corporation and Verizon, in the future Granite may compete with all ILECs within the State of Idaho. The Application more specifically identifies these ILECs as ATC Communications, Cambridge Telephone Company, CenturyTel of Idaho, Inc., Frontier Communications of Idaho, Direct Communications Rockland, Inc., Fremont Telecom, Inc., Inland Telephone Company, Midvale Telephone Exchange, Inc., Oregon-Idaho Utilities, Inc., Pine Telephone System, Inc., Potlatch Telephone Company, Rural Telephone Company, Silver Star Communications and Teton Telecom.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Granite does not intend to collect deposits or advance payments from its customers. Therefore, no escrow account or bonded escrow agent is necessary. Granite seeks Commission approval of certification without bond or deposit.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application states that Granite has reviewed all of the Commission rules and agrees to comply with them.

NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission has determined that the public interest may not require a formal hearing in this matter and will proceed under Modified

Procedure pursuant to Rules 201 through 204 of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.201 through .204.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that any person desiring to state a position on this Application may file a written comment in support or opposition with the Commission within twenty-one (21) days from the service date of this Notice. The comment must contain a statement of reasons supporting the comment. Persons desiring a hearing must specifically request a hearing in their written comments. Written comments concerning this Application shall be mailed to the Commission and the Applicant at the addresses reflected below:

Commission Secretary Idaho Public Utilities Commission PO Box 83720 Boise, ID 83720-0074	Geoff Cookman Regulatory Affairs and Carrier Relations Granite Telecommunications, LLC 234 Copeland Street Quincy, MA 02169 E-Mail: gcookman@granitenet.com
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Street Address for Express Mail: 472 W. Washington Street Boise, ID 83702-5983	Stacy A. Klinzman Miller Isar, Inc. 7901 Skansie Avenue, Suite 240 Gig Harbor, WA 98335 Email: sjohnson@millerisar.com
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These comments should contain the case caption and case number shown on the first page of this document. Persons desiring to submit comments via e-mail may do so by accessing the Commission's home page located at www.puc.state.id.us. Click the "Comments and Questions" icon, and complete the comment form, using the case number as it appears on the front of this document. These comments must also be sent to the Applicant at the e-mail addresses listed above.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if no written comments or protests are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider this matter on its merits and enter its Order without a formal hearing. If written comments are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider them and, in its discretion, may set the same for formal hearing.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application together with supporting workpapers, testimonies and exhibits, have been filed with the Commission and are available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission offices.


YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this case will be held pursuant to the Commission's jurisdiction under Titles 61 and 62 of the Idaho Code and that the Commission may enter any final Order consistent with its authority under the Idaho Code.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this matter will be conducted pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000 *et seq.*

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Application of Granite Telecommunications, LLC for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity be processed by Modified Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.201-.204. Persons interested in submitting written comments in this matter should do so no later than 21 days from the service date of this Order.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 2nd
day of January 2004.



PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

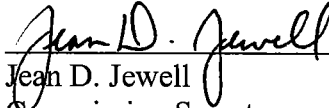


MARSHA H. SMITH, COMMISSIONER



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