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Ms. Lois Meerdink
Oregon Public Utilities Commission
Telecom Division
550 Capitol Street, N.E., Suite 215
Salem, Oregon 97301-2551

RE: Startec Global Operating Company
Application for Certificate of Authority to Telecommunications Service
Tracking No. _____

Dear Ms. Meerdink:

Enclosed for filing, please find the original Application for Certificate of Authority to Provide Telecommunications Service in Oregon filed on behalf of Startec Global Operating Company. This filing was submitted electronically via the OPUC eFiling system with Tracking Number _____.

Please acknowledge receipt of this filing by returning, date-stamped, the extra copy of this cover letter in the stamped self-addressed envelope which is provided for that purpose.

Any questions you may have regarding this filing may be directed to me at (407) 740-3001 or via email at tforte@tminc.com.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Thomas M. Forte
Consultant to Startec Global Operating Company

Enclosures

cc: A. Dugay - STARTEC
file: STARTEC - OR
tms: ORi0700

STARTEC GLOBAL OPERATING COMPANY

OREGON SECRETARY OF STATE

CERTIFICATE

State of Oregon

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
Corporation Division

I, **BILL BRADBURY**, Secretary of State of Oregon, and Custodian of the Seal of said State, do hereby certify:

STARTEC GLOBAL OPERATING COMPANY

a Business Corporation,
incorporated under the laws of
Delaware

was authorized to transact business in Oregon on
July 13, 1998

and is active on the records of the Corporation Division as
of the date of this certificate.



In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set
my hand and affixed hereto the Seal of the
State of Oregon.

BILL BRADBURY, Secretary of State

By

Debra L. Virag
Debra L. Virag

October 14, 2005

March 28, 2007

OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

Oregon Public Utilities Commission
Telecom Division
550 Capitol Street, N.E., Suite 215
Salem, Oregon 97301-2551

RE: Startec Global Operating Company
Application for Certificate of Authority to Telecommunications Service

Dear Sir/Madam:

The purpose of this letter is to explain the steps that Startec Global Operating Company ("Startec Operating") has taken to ensure that it complies with the rules of the Oregon Public Utilities Commission ("Commission"). Startec Operating takes very seriously its obligation to comply with Commission rules and, as demonstrated by the steps outlined in this letter, will do everything possible to guarantee such compliance.

Background

Startec Operating or one of its affiliate or predecessor companies (collectively, "Startec"), has been providing interexchange resale telecommunications service to residents of the State of Oregon since 1997. Startec markets its service to ethnic customers who place a large number of international calls to family and friends in their countries of origin, and offers in-language customer service to its customers. Today, Startec serves approximately 1,700 residents of Oregon.

Startec Inc. was certificated in the State of Oregon on February 18, 1997. Startec, Inc. subsequently changed its name to Startec Global Communications Corp. ("SGCC"). On July 30, 1998, SGCC and Startec Global Licensing Company ("Startec Licensing") filed an application with the Commission for authority to transfer SGCC's intrastate customer base and authority to provide resale exchange service in Oregon to Startec Licensing. The application was granted on January 6, 1999 (Docket No. CP 246 (Order 99-007)).

The Commission revoked the license of Startec Licensing for the first time in November 2001 for failure to meet Oregon Universal Service Fund requirements or failure to file an annual report. Startec was in bankruptcy in 2001, many employees were terminated, and the company was unable to satisfy state filing requirements in a number of states. Startec, however, emerged from bankruptcy in 2004 and is now a stable and profitable company.

The certificate of Startec Licensing was revoked for the second time on September 8, 2006, in Docket No. CP 1121 (Order No. 06-510) for failure to file the 1st Quarter 2006 OUS2 form and fee by May 10, 2006. The form and fee were actually filed on September 14, 2006. Since September 2006, Startec has complied with the Commission's Universal Service Fund requirements, even though the company's certificate was revoked (i.e., it has been filing Universal Service Fund forms and paying the appropriate fees).¹

Remedial Steps

Startec Operating takes very serious its failure to file timely its Universal Service Fund form and fees, and has taken a number of important steps to ensure that this inadvertent mistake is not repeated. Specifically, Startec Operating and its contractor, Technologies Management, Inc. ("TMI"), have adopted the following measures:

1. Startec Operating has contracted with TMI to handle all of its filings with the Commission. TMI files reports with the Commission on behalf of many carriers and has assisted hundreds of companies become certificated carriers in Oregon.

2. TMI has implemented a new tracking calendar that will remind it 45 days prior to the due date that a report must be filed. This will provide TMI and Startec Operating with generous advance notice of filing deadlines.

3. TMI has improved tracking mechanisms. A report will be generated every month that will track reports prepared by TMI but not yet signed and returned by Startec Operating. TMI will use this report to remind Startec Operating of reports that Startec Operating has not yet approved and signed and that are due. TMI will also generate a report that tracks the handling of a report after it is returned by Startec Operating to TMI until it is filed with the Commission.

4. Startec Operating requests that all correspondence regarding reports and fees that must be filed by Startec Operating also be sent to TMI. This will ensure that TMI, an expert on state compliance matters, can act on Commission correspondence expeditiously. TMI's contact information is the following:

Tom Forte
Technologies Management, Inc.
210 N. Park Ave.
Winter Park, FL 32789

¹ Startec Operating, rather than Startec Licensing, is the applicant in this application for authority to provide telecommunications service because on December 27, 2006, Startec Licensing was merged into Startec Operating, with Startec Operating surviving.



Startec Operating believes that these significant measures will ensure that it complies with Commission rules.

Granting the application of Startec Operating for a certificate of authority to provide telecommunications services is in the public interest since it will allow Startec Operating to continue to provide an important service to ethnic customers in Oregon. Moreover, granting the application will enhance competition for telecommunications service at a time when the industry is experiencing considerable consolidation.

In the event that you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Robert Felgar". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Robert Felgar
General Counsel



**APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY
TO PROVIDE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE IN OREGON**

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete every applicable section of this application. Attach additional documents and/or sheets to complete responses (if needed). You will be notified when the Commission receives your application, and again when it has been processed. Upon acceptance of this application, the Commission will publish notice pursuant to ORS 759.020(2). After submitting this application electronically, mail one copy with original signature and all attachments.

Classification for which application is made. Check one.

- Competitive Telecommunications Provider (local, long-distance, shared telecommunications service).
- Telecommunications Utility

1. Exact Legal Name of Applicant:

Startec Global Operating Company

Applicant's Assumed Business Name(s) (if any) (e.g., dba, aka)
Must be registered with the Corporation Division.

Applicant's Type of Legal Entity (e.g., corporation, limited partnership)

Delaware Corporation (April 21, 1998)

Business Address

**7361 Calhoun Place
Suite 650
Rockville MD 20855**

Phone **301-640-4300**

Fax **240-314-42119**

Email **www.startec.com**

2. Name and Address of Person to be Contacted for Further Information Regarding This Application:

**Thomas M. Forte, Consultant to Startec
210 North Park Avenue
Winter Park FL 32789**

Phone **407-740-3001**

Fax **407-740-0613**

Email **tforte@tminc.com**

3. Name and Address of Person to be Contacted for Regulatory Information. (Commission will send requests for information to this person):

**Rob Felgar, Secretary
7361 Calhoun Place
Suite 650
Rockville MD 20855**

Phone **301-610-4300**

Fax **240-314-4219**

Email **robert.felgar@startec.com**

4. Affiliated Interests:

Are you now or have you ever been affiliated with any provider of telecommunications service that serves Oregon? If so, who? When? Describe affiliation. Affiliated interest is defined in OAR 860-032-0001.

Startec Global Licensing Company

5. Previous Certificates of Authority:

List each certificate of authority previously granted by the Oregon PUC to Applicant and to each affiliated entity, under a legal name, an assumed business name, or any other name. Include all certificates whether or not canceled. For each certificate include: name of entity, docket number, and order number.

	Name of Entity	Docket Number	Order Number
a.	Startec Global Licensing Company	CP 246	97-068
b.	Startec Global Licensing Company	CP 1121	03-274
c.			
d.			

AUTHORITY REQUESTED

6. Does applicant request authority to provide the following services?

- a. Shared telecommunications service (STS). STS includes resale of long-distance service to the STS provider's user group, but not to customers outside the user group. If yes, applicant must complete items 10 and 11. Yes No
- b. Local exchange (intraexchange) switched service (i.e., local dial tone). If yes, applicant must complete item 10. Yes No
- c. Local exchange (intraexchange) nonswitched, private line service (i.e., dedicated transmission service). Yes No
- d. Interexchange, switched service (i.e., long-distance toll). If yes, applicant must complete item 10. Yes No
- e. Interexchange, nonswitched, private line service (i.e., dedicated transmission service). Yes No

7. How Services Will Initially Be Provided

The following is required for public notice and information purposes and does not request authority.

- a. Will Applicant resell finished services of other Oregon certified carriers? (Resell means resale of finished services, not unbundled network elements.) Yes No
- b. Will applicant construct lines, loops, wires, fiber, or other transport facilities? Yes No
- c. Will Applicant have its own switching equipment? Yes No
- d. Will Applicant purchase (lease) unbundled network elements from other Oregon certified carriers? Yes No
- e. Will Applicant purchase or lease network components which are not unbundled network elements? Yes No

8. Areas for which Applicant seeks authority:

a. Intraexchange Authority:

Alternative I: List every local exchange in which Applicant seeks to provide local exchange (intraexchange)

Alternative II: List every incumbent local exchange carrier in whose exchanges Applicant seeks authority to provide local exchange (intraexchange) service.

Alternative III: If Applicant seeks authority to provide local exchange (intraexchange) service within every telephone exchange in Oregon, then specify "Statewide."

None

b. Interexchange Authority:

Alternative I: List every local exchange in which Applicant seeks to provide interexchange service.

Alternative II: List every incumbent local exchange carrier in whose exchanges Applicant seeks authority to provide interexchange service.

Alternative III: If Applicant seeks authority to provide interexchange service in every telephone exchange in Oregon, then specify "Statewide."

Statewide

9. Describe special characteristics, limitations, or restrictions that will be part of Applicant's services:

None

10. Operator Services:

- a. Operator service includes, but is not limited to, billing or completion of third-party billing calls, person-to-person calls, collect calls, and credit card calls. See OAR 860-032-0001.
Will Applicant directly offer operator services? Yes No
- b. ORS 759.690(1)(d) defines "operator service provider" as a person who furnishes operator service under contract with a call aggregator. ORS 759.690(1)(a) defines a call aggregator as a person who furnishes a telephone for use by the public, i.e., transient use.
Will Applicant be an "operator service provider" as defined in ORS 759.690(1)(d)? Yes No

11. Shared Telecommunications Service:

Shared Telecommunications Service (STS) service is defined in OAR 860-032-0001. STS includes resale of long-distance service to the STS provider's user group, but not to customers outside the user group.

- a. Provide the address of the building where shared service will be provided through privately owned customer premises equipment. If Applicant intends to serve a user group located in two or more buildings, include an electronic copy of a map clearly showing the locations to be served by the Applicant. The information on the map must be precise and legible and include street names and the city where the building(s) is(are) located.

- b. An STS site or location consists of one building, or it consists of a complex of buildings or a campus on contiguous property. An STS provider may interconnect separate sites in order to aggregate toll traffic. An STS provider may not interconnect separate sites in order to provide local exchange service between those sites.
If serving buildings at separate sites, will applicant interconnect the buildings in order to aggregate toll traffic? Yes No

- c. Describe the user group or association at the STS location.

NOTE: Applicant must apply to PUC for another certificate of authority in order to add subsequent STS sites.

Conditions of a certificate of authority:

As a condition of a certificate of authority, applicant must comply with all applicable Commission rules and state law, as well as conditions listed in the certificate.

For your convenience, following is a summary of some conditions from OAR 860-032-0001 et seq. (Division 32). Additional conditions may be specified in the certificate.

- a. Certificate holder shall provide only telecommunications services authorized by the certificate.
- b. Certificate holder shall, at a minimum, meet the standard level of service specified in OAR 860-032-0012. The standard level of service is 99 percent probability that a call will not be blocked during the certificate holder's busy hour of the day.
- c. Certificate holder's books and records shall be open to inspection by the Commission to the extent necessary to verify information required by the Commission's rules.
- d. Certificate holder shall maintain its books and records according to generally accepted accounting principles and the applicable rules of the Commission.
- e. Certificate holder shall pay all access charges and subsidies imposed pursuant to the Commission's rules.
- f. Certificate holder shall pay an annual fee to the Commission pursuant to the Commission's rules. This fee will be based on the certificate holder's annual gross retail intrastate revenues and will be no less than \$100 per calendar year. The certificate holder shall collect the fee by charging an equitable amount to each retail customer and describe the amount of the apportioned charge on each retail customer's bill, pursuant to the Commission's rules.
- g. The certificate holder shall pay a quarterly amount to the Oregon Universal Service Fund based on a Commission-approved surcharge percentage assessed on all retail telecommunications services sold in Oregon pursuant to ORS 759.425(4).
- h. Certificate holder shall respond in a timely manner to Commission inquiries.

Pursuant to Residential Service Protection statutes, Chapter 290, Oregon Laws 1987, and Division 22, certificate holder shall be responsible to ensure that the Residential Service Protection Fund surcharge is remitted to the Commission. This surcharge is assessed against each paying retail subscriber at a rate that is set annually by the Commission.

Applicant understands that all services provided by Applicant must comply with all applicable Commission rules and state law, and with conditions of the certificate (check box at left).

<i>Signature of Person Authorized to Represent Applicant</i>	Title Secretary
Typewritten Name Robert Felgar	Date 03/30/07