BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

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In the Matter of)	
TELECONNECT LONG DISTANCE SERVICES & SYSTEMS COMPANY))	ORDER
Application for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Telecommunications Service in Oregon and Classification as a Competitive Provider.)))	

DISPOSITION: CANCELLATION ORDER RESCINDED

On September 22, 1989, the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Commission) granted a certificate of authority to Teleconnect Long Distance Services & Systems Company (Teleconnect) to provide telecommunications service in Oregon as a competitive provider. *See* Order No. 89-1246. Oregon telecommunications providers are required to comply with Oregon Universal Service Fund requirements pursuant to ORS 759.425. At the October 9, 2007, Public Meeting, the Commission cancelled the certificate of authority for Teleconnect believing that Teleconnect had failed to file the 1st Quarter 2007 OUS2 form. On October 30, 2007, Joe Dunbar, Director of Administrative Reporting, Verizon Business, contacted the Commission stating that the cancellation order was in error. Mr. Dunbar explained that Verizon Business entities, including Teleconnect, utilize common billing and tax systems and, consequently, cannot file OUS2 reports on an individual entity basis. As a result, the OUS2 report filed by MCI Communications Systems, Inc. is a consolidated report and includes information for all of the entities, including Teleconnect. MCI Communications Systems, Inc. has filed OUS2 reports on a timely basis and is current with such filings.

After review of the Commission's records, Staff informed the Commission that Teleconnect is indeed current with all OUS2 forms and fees. The issue of the specialized reporting has been discussed and remedied with the OUSF Administrator to prevent any further cancellations.

Under the circumstances, the cancellation of Teleconnect's certificate should be rescinded.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that Order No. 07-470 canceling the certificate of authority of Teleconnect Long Distance Services & Systems Company, is rescinded.

Made, entered, and effective DEC 1 8 2007

Lee Beyer

Chairman

John Savage

Commissioner

Ray Baum Commissioner

A party may request rehearing or reconsideration of this order pursuant to ORS 756.561. A request for rehearing or reconsideration must be filed with the Commission within 60 days of the date of service of this order. The request must comply with the requirements in OAR 860-014-0095. A copy of any such request must also be served on each party to the proceeding as provided by OAR 860-013-0070(2). A party may appeal this order by filing a petition for review with the Court of Appeals in compliance with ORS 183.480-183.484.