

**BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION )**  
**OF ALLIED WIRELESS )** **CASE NO. ALL-T-10-01**  
**COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION, )**  
**D/B/A ALLTEL WIRELESS, FOR )** **NOTICE OF APPLICATION**  
**DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE )**  
**TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER )** **NOTICE OF**  
**)** **MODIFIED PROCEDURE**  
**)**  
**)** **ORDER NO. 32167**

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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on December 16, 2010, Allied Wireless Communications Corp. dba Alltel Wireless (“Allied” or “Company”) filed an Application, pursuant to Section 214(e)(2) of the Telecommunications Act of 1934, for designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier (“ETC”) in the State of Idaho.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Allied is a commercial mobile radio services (“CMRS”) carrier licensed by the Federal Communications Commission (“FCC”) to provide service in various locations in Idaho.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Allied is a wholly owned subsidiary of Atlantic Tele-Network, Inc. (“ATNI”), a publicly-traded corporation headquartered in Beverly, Massachusetts.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that ATNI, and ultimately Allied, recently acquired certain wireless assets, licenses and accompanying authorizations in six states, including Idaho, from subsidiaries of Verizon Wireless.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Allied states that it is authorized to use the Alltel brand name in the acquired areas (including Idaho) and intends to continue using the Alltel name going forward.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Allied seeks ETC designation in certain rural telephone company study areas and non-rural telephone company wire centers in Idaho. Allied believes that designating the Company as an ETC in Idaho would be in the public interest because it could lead to improved coverage, service quality and reliability of service.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Allied's Application contains information related to the Company's voice grade access service, local usage plan, functionally equivalent dual tone multi-frequency signaling, single party service, emergency services, operator services, interexchange (long-distance) services, directory assistance and toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Allied has committed to complying with the regulatory mandates found in the Idaho ETC Requirements Order. Allied states that it will provide its services by utilizing its existing cellular network infrastructure and, as necessary, through the resale of another carrier's service or through roaming arrangements. The Company pledges to advertise the availability of its services throughout its ETC service area using general media sources – as well as other expanded media sources.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Allied claims that it is not targeting particular areas based on the possibility of receiving uneconomic levels of support. Rather, the Company states that it is seeking ETC designation only in areas that cover the entirety of the incumbent LEC service area.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Allied commits to use available federal Universal Service Fund support for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which support is intended.

#### **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. The Commission notes that Modified Procedure and written comments have proven to be an effective means for obtaining public input and participation.

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:

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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.idaho.gov](http://www.puc.idaho.gov). 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 address 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 has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission offices. The Application is also available on the Commission's web site at [www.puc.idaho.gov](http://www.puc.idaho.gov) and by clicking on "File Room" and then "Telephone Cases."

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this case will be held pursuant to the Commission's jurisdiction under Title 62 of the Idaho Code and specifically *Idaho Code* §§ 62-610D. The Commission may enter any final Order consistent with its authority under Title 62.

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 this Application will be processed under Modified Procedure. Persons interested in submitting written comments regarding this case or protesting

the use of Modified Procedure 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 25<sup>th</sup> day of January 2011.

  
JIM D. KEMPTON, PRESIDENT

  
MARSHA H. SMITH, COMMISSIONER

  
MACK A. REDFORD, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

  
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Commission Secretary

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