

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)
OF ALLIED WIRELESS) CASE NO. ALL-T-10-01
COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION DBA)
ALLTEL WIRELESS FOR DESIGNATION) NOTICE OF APPLICATION
AS AN ELIGIBLE)
TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER) NOTICE OF
) MODIFIED PROCEDURE
)
) ORDER NO. 32578**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on May 25, 2012, Allied Wireless Communications Corporation dba Alltel Wireless (“Allied” or “Company”) filed an Application, pursuant to Section 214(e)(2) of the Telecommunications Act of 1934, for conditional designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier (“ETC”) in all areas in Idaho where Allied is licensed by the Federal Communications Commission (“FCC”) to provide commercial mobile radio services (“CMRS”) and where it is not presently designated as an ETC.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Allied was previously designated by the Commission as an ETC in Idaho on March 22, 2011.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Allied is a commercial mobile radio services (“CMRS”) carrier licensed by the 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 Allied’s Application explains that in November 2011 the FCC created the Mobility Fund, part of the Connect America Fund, in an effort to comprehensively reform the universal service system. The Mobility Fund will provide up to \$300 million to accelerate the deployment of next generation 3G or better networks for mobile voice and broadband services in unserved areas. Phase I Auction funds will be disbursed to ETCs through a reverse auction that will be held on September 27, 2012. Allied states that conditional ETC designation in all the census blocks for which it will submit a bid is a prerequisite for bidding in the FCC Auction.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Allied believes that, as a licensed CMRS provider currently operating in the designated unserved census blocks in Idaho, the Company is capable of providing the benefit of the Phase I Auction to rural unserved areas of Idaho.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Allied requests that any ETC designation granted pursuant to its Application remain effective if or to the extent that the Company is a successful bidder in the aforementioned FCC Auction.

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 fourteen (14) 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. 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 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 14 days from the service date of this Order.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 20th day of June 2012.



PAUL K. ELLANDER, PRESIDENT



MACK A. REDFORD, COMMISSIONER



MARSHA H. SMITH, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:



Jean D. Jewell
Commission Secretary

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