# BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF	)	
CACTUS INTERNATIONAL, INC. FOR A	)	<b>CASE NO. CZ8-T-06-01</b>
CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE	)	
AND NECESSITY TO PROVIDE LOCAL	)	
<b>EXCHANGE SERVICES WITHIN THE STATE</b>	)	<b>ORDER NO. 30207</b>
OF IDAHO	)	

On November 7, 2006, Cactus International, Inc. ("Cactus") filed an Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) to provide telephone service to customers who collocate equipment in its facility, such as Direct Inward Dialed telephone lines to Internet Service Providers. On November 22, 2006, the Commission issued a Notice of Application and Modified Procedure. Order No. 30184. In its Order, the Commission solicited comments from interested persons. Staff timely filed its comments, and these were the only comments submitted.

## THE APPLICATION

The Application stated that it will provide these services through interconnection agreements with Verizon Northwest Inc. and it intends to be able to start providing such services beginning January 1, 2007. Its Application states that it intends to provide Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) services at some point in the future.

Cactus has a Certificate of Incorporation showing it has been an Idaho corporation since March 12, 1990. Its principal place of business is in Moscow, Idaho. The Company has provided financial information and the appropriate contact information for its registered agent for service of process within Idaho. The Company also filed a revised illustrative tariff on November 15, 2006. Its proposed service territory will coincide with Verizon's Moscow, Idaho market area.

### STAFF COMMENTS

Staff has reviewed the Application submitted by Cactus, and believes the Company understands and agrees to comply with the Commission rules and requirements. Based on this review, the Company's filing fulfills the requirements of the Commission Rules and Procedural Order No. 26665. Staff believes that the Company possesses the requisite financial, managerial,

and technical qualifications necessary to operate as a provider of telecommunications services. Staff, therefore, recommended approval of the Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity.

## **COMMISSION FINDINGS**

This Commission has jurisdiction to grant a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity pursuant to *Idaho Code* § 61-526. Based upon our review of the filing and the record in this case, the Commission finds that Cactus' filing satisfies the requirements of the Commission's Rules and Procedural Order No. 26665. Thus, we approve Cactus' Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to allow the Company to provide telephone service to customers who collocate equipment in its facility. We further waive the requirement for Cactus to possess an escrow account until such time as it begins to collect deposits from its customers.

### ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Cactus International, Inc. is granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide competitive telecommunications services within the state of Idaho.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the requirement to possess an escrow account is waived until such time as Cactus begins to collect deposits from its customers.

THIS IS A FINAL ORDER. Any person interested in this Order may petition for reconsideration within twenty-one (21) days of the service date of this Order with regard to any matter decided in this Order. Within seven (7) days after any person has petitioned for reconsideration, any other person may cross-petition for reconsideration. *See Idaho Code* § 61-626.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this  $27^{th}$  day of December 2006.

PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

MARSHA H. SMITH, COMMISSIONER

DENNIS S. HANSEN, COMMISSIONER

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