## BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF COMTEL TELCOM

ASSETS LP'S REQUEST FOR CANCELLATION ) CASE NO. EXC-T-02-1
OF EXCEL TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.'S )
CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND)
NECESSITY NO. 408.

On September 6, 2006, the Commission received a notice from Comtel Telcom Assets LP (Comtel) requesting cancellation of Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 408 (CPCN). Certificate No. 408 had been issued to Excel Telecommunications, Inc., which was acquired by Comtel. In its Decision Meeting on September 25, 2006, the Commission determined to approve Comtel's request for cancellation of Certificate No. 408.

## **COMMISSION FINDINGS**

In January 2002, Excel Telecommunications, Inc. filed an Application with the Commission requesting authority to provide telecommunications services within the entire State of Idaho. In March 2003, the Commission granted Excel's Application for a CPCN and issued Certificate No. 408. Order No. 29202.

On June 7, 2006, Comtel Telcom Assets LP completed the purchase of substantially all of the assets, including customers, of VarTec Telecom, Inc., Excel Telecommunications, Inc. and VarTec Solutions, Inc. Excel and VarTec both held CPCNs. On May 11, 2006, the Commission approved Comtel's assumption of VarTec's Certificate No. 399. Order No. 30039.

On September 6, 2006, Comtel notified the Commission of its desire to cancel Excel's Certificate No. 408. Staff recommended the Commission cancel Certificate No. 408 and remove the Company's price list on file.

## ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Comtel Telcom Assets LP's request for cancellation of Excel Telecommunications, Inc.'s Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 408 is granted. Certificate No. 408 is no longer in effect, and Excel Telecommunications, Inc. is no longer authorized to provide service in the State of Idaho.

THIS IS A FINAL ORDER. Any person interested in this Order or in interlocutory Orders previously issued in this Case No. EXC-T-02-1 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 or in interlocutory Orders previously issued in this case. Within seven (7) days after any person has petitioned for reconsideration, any other person may cross-petition for reconsideration. See *Idaho Code* §§ 61-619 and 61-626.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this  $3^{+n}$  day of October 2006.

PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

MARSHA H. SMITH, COMMISSIONER

DENNIS S. HANSEN, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

Commission Secretary

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