BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

In the Matter of the Application of)
ECONODIAL, LLC )
)
For Certificate of Authority to )
Provide Intrastate )
Telecommunications Services Within )
the State of Hawaii and For )
Approval of its Initial Tariff.

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DECISION AND ORDER NO. 19476

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I.

By an application filed on June 21, 2002, ECONODIAL, LLC (Applicant) requests that the commission grant it a certificate of authority (COA) to provide intrastate telecommunications services in the State of Hawaii (State) and also requests approval of its initial proposed tariff, submitted with its application. Applicant makes its requests pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS) §§ 269-7.5 and 269-16, and Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR) §§ 6-80-17 and 6-80-18.

Applicant served copies of the application on the Division of Consumer Advocacy of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (Consumer Advocate). By Statement of Position filed on July 9, 2002, the Consumer Advocate informed us that it does not object to the commission granting Applicant a COA to provide telecommunications services within the State.
II.

Applicant is a New York limited liability company (LLC), authorized to conduct business in the State as a foreign LLC. It is a reseller of telecommunications services and has been in the telecommunications business since December 11, 2001.

Applicant intends to offer telecommunications services nationwide, and is currently authorized to provide intrastate telecommunications services in Iowa, Michigan, Montana, New Jersey, Texas, Utah, Virginia, and the District of Columbia. In Hawaii, Applicant intends to offer telecommunications services on a resold basis. Specifically, Applicant intends to offer 1+ and 101XXXX outbound dialing, inbound "800"/"888" toll-free, travel card, and prepaid calling card services.

III.

Upon review of the application, the commission makes the following findings pursuant to HAR § 6-80-18:

1. Applicant possesses sufficient technical, financial, and managerial resources and abilities to provide the proposed services;

2. Applicant is fit, willing, and able to properly perform the telecommunications services proposed and to conform to the terms, conditions, and rules prescribed or adopted by the commission; and

3. Applicant's proposed telecommunications services are in the public interest.
Accordingly, the commission concludes that Applicant should be granted a COA to provide resold intrastate telecommunications services in the State.

IV.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

1. Applicant is granted a COA to operate as a reseller of intrastate telecommunications services in the State.

2. As a holder of a COA, Applicant shall be subject to all applicable provisions of HRS chapter 269, HAR chapters 6-80 and 6-81, any other applicable State laws and commission rules, and any orders the commission may issue from time to time.

3. Applicant shall file tariffs in accordance with HAR §§ 6-80-39 and 6-80-40. Accordingly, among other things, Applicant’s tariff shall take effect upon filing with the commission, pursuant to HAR § 6-80-40(a), since Applicant’s telecommunications services are to be provided on a resold basis, which are fully competitive. Applicant shall ensure that the appropriate effective date is reflected in its tariffs. In the event of a conflict between any provision of a tariff and State law, State law shall prevail.

4. Applicant shall conform its proposed tariff to the provisions of HAR chapter 6-80. An original and eight copies of the tariff shall be filed with the commission, and two copies of the same shall be served on the Consumer Advocate.
5. Within 30 days of the date of this decision and order, Applicant shall pay a public utility fee of $60, pursuant to HRS § 269-30. Checks shall be made payable to the Hawaii Public Utilities Commission and sent to 465 South King Street, Room No. 103, Honolulu, Hawaii, 96813.

6. In accordance with HAR § 6-80-39, Applicant shall not offer, initiate, or provide any telecommunications services within the State, at wholesale or retail, until it complies with the requirements set forth in this decision and order.

DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii this 22nd day of July, 2002.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

By Wayne H. Kimura, Chairman

By Dennis R. Yamada, Commissioner

By Janet E. Kawelo, Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Ji Sook Kim
Commission Counsel
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served a copy of the foregoing Decision and Order No. 19476 upon the following parties, by causing a copy hereof to be mailed, postage prepaid, and properly addressed to each such party.

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