## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of the Application of)

NETWORK SERVICE BILLING, INC.

For a Certificate of Authority To Provide Intrastate Interexchange) Telecommunication Services Within The State of Hawaii and for Approval of its Initial Tariff.

DOCKET NO. 05-0119

DECISION AND ORDER NO. 21946

Filed <u>July 25</u>, 2005 At \_\_\_\_\_ 2 o'clock <u>P</u> .M.

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ATTEST: A True Copy KAREN HIGASHI Chief Clerk, Public Utilities Commission, State of Hawaii.

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#### DECISION AND ORDER

By this Decision and Order, the commission grants NETWORK SERVICE BILLING, INC. ("Applicant") a certificate of authority ("COA") to provide intrastate telecommunications services within the State of Hawaii ("State") as a reseller, subject to certain conditions, as further described herein.

I.

#### <u>Introduction</u>

Applicant requests a COA to operate as a reseller of telecommunications services within the State. Applicant makes its request 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 a copy of the Application to the DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, DIVISION OF

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Applicant's Application, filed on May 19, 2005 ("Application").

CONSUMER ADVOCACY ("Consumer Advocate"). On May 31, 2005, the Consumer Advocate filed its Statement of Position indicating that it does not object to the commission's approval of Applicant's Application.

II.

#### Description of Applicant and its Proposed Services

Applicant is a Nevada corporation authorized to do business in the State as a foreign corporation. Its principal place of business is in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Applicant intends to provide intrastate telecommunications services within the State as a reseller. Specifically, Applicant intends to provide 1+ and 101XXXX outbound calling, inbound "800"/"888" toll-free, travel card services, and prepaid calling card services in the State.

III.

#### COA and Proposed Tariff

Upon review of the Application, the commission makes the following findings pursuant to HAR  $\S$  6-80-18(a):

- 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 and to conform to the terms, conditions, and rules prescribed or adopted by the commission; and

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3. Applicant's proposed telecommunications services are in the public interest.

Accordingly, the commission concludes that Applicant should be granted a COA to provide intrastate telecommunications services as a reseller.

IV.

#### Orders

#### THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 1. Applicant is granted a COA to provide intrastate telecommunications services in the State as a reseller.
- 2. As the 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 that the commission may issue from time to time.
- 3. Applicant shall file its tariffs in accordance with HAR §§ 6-80-39 and 6-80-40. Applicant's tariffs shall comply with the provisions of HAR chapter 6-80. In the event of a conflict between any tariff provision and State law, State law shall prevail.
- 4. Applicant shall conform its initial tariff to the applicable provisions of HAR chapter 6-80. An original and eight (8) copies of the initial tariff shall be filed with the commission, and two (2) additional copies shall be served on the Consumer Advocate. Applicant shall ensure that the appropriate issued and effective dates are reflected in its tariffs.

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- 5. Within thirty (30) days from the date of this Decision and Order, Applicant shall pay a public utility fee of \$60, pursuant to HRS § 269-30. The business check shall be made payable to the Hawaii Public Utilities Commission, and sent to the commission's office at 465 S. King Street #103, Honolulu, HI, 96813.
- 6. Within thirty (30) days from the date of this Decision and Order, Applicant shall also pay a telecommunications relay service ("TRS") contribution of \$10.00, established pursuant to: (A) Act 50, adopted on May 7, 2003 (codified at HRS § 269-16.6); and (B) Decision and Order No. 21847, filed on May 31, 2005, in Docket No. 05-0088. (A copy of Decision and Order No. 21847 is attached hereto as Exhibit 1.) The business check shall be made payable to "Hawaii TRS", and sent to the Hawaii TRS Administrator, NECA Services, Inc., 80 S. Jefferson Road, Whippany, NJ 07981. Written proof of payment shall be sent to the commission.
- 7. Failure to promptly comply with the requirements set forth in paragraphs 3 to 6 may constitute cause to void this Decision and Order, and may result in further regulatory action, as authorized by law.

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PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

By Carlito P. Caliboso, Chairman

By Wayne H. Kimura, Commissioner

Janet E. Kawelo, Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Kis N. Nakagawa Commission Counsel

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## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. 05-0088

Instituting an Investigation into the Carrier Contribution Factor and Telecommunications Relay Services Fund Size for the period of July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006.

DECISION AND ORDER NO. 21847

Filed May 31, 2005

At \_\_\_\_\_\_ 10 o'clock A .M.

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#### DECISION AND ORDER

By this Order, the commission: establishes the Telecommunications Relay Services ("TRS") carrier contribution factor for the period July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006 (the "Period"), at 0.0010, and establishes the projected TRS fund size for the Period, at approximately \$680,000.

I.

#### Background

By Order No. 21730, filed on April 12, 2005, ("Order No. 21370") the commission initiated the instant proceeding to examine whether to modify the TRS carrier contribution factor and fund size for the Period, established in accordance with Order No. 20193, filed on May 23, 2003, in

Docket No. 03-0058 ("Order No. 20193"). Specifically, in Order No. 21370, the commission proposed to continue the existing carrier contribution factor of .0010, established by Order No. 21049, filed on April 15, 2004, in Docket No. 04-0070. The commission also proposed to keep the projected TRS fund size, for the Period, at approximately \$680,000.

The commission served copies of Order No. 21730 on The Division of Consumer Advocacy, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Consumer Advocate") and Sprint, the parties to this proceeding, and mailed copies of Order No. 21730 to all chartered, certificated and registered telecommunications carriers, except payphone providers, at their mailing addresses on file with the commission to solicit written comments. Written comments to the proposals were accepted until May 6, 2005. As of the date of this Order, no written comments were filed with the commission on any of the commission's proposals.

II.

#### Background

On May 23, 2003, the commission issued Order No. 20193, in Docket No. 03-0058 which, among other things, ordered:

(1) every telecommunications carrier providing intrastate telecommunications service in the State of Hawaii to contract

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¹In Docket No. 03-0058, the commission selected SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS CO., LP ("Sprint") as the exclusive provider of intrastate TRS within the State of Hawaii ("State of Hawaii") from July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2006. See Decision and Order No. 20163, filed on April 30 2003. Order No. 20193, filed on May 23, 2003, in Docket No. 03-0058.

with Sprint for the provision of telecommunications relay service, for the period beginning July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2006; (2) every carrier providing intrastate telecommunications service in Hawaii shall contribute to the TRS fund on the basis of gross operating revenues from the retail provision of intrastate telecommunications services during the preceding calendar year, consistent with the terms of Order No. 201932; (3) contributors' contribution to the TRS fund shall be the product of their gross operating revenue from the retail provision of intrastate telecommunications services during the preceding calendar year, which is subject to investigation by the commission, and a contribution factor determined annually by the commission, consistent with the terms of Order No. 20193; and (4) the annual TRS funding period commences July 1 and ends June 30 of each year.

#### III.

#### Discussion

The Commission received no comments or objections to the proposals in Order No. 21730. Upon review, the commission finds the proposals in Order No. 21730 to be reasonable and in the public interest. Accordingly, the carrier contribution factor for the Period shall be 0.0010 and the projected TRS fund size, for the Period shall be established at approximately \$680,000.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>The commission specifically excluded payphone providers from contributing to the TRS fund.

#### III.

#### Orders

#### THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 1. The contribution factor for the Period (July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006) shall be 0.0010. The projected TRS fund size, for the Period, shall be approximately \$680,000.
- 2. Each carrier shall complete and submit a TRS Reporting Worksheet, attached to this Order as Exhibit "A".
- 3. Annual contributions are due July 26<sup>th</sup>; carriers who owe contributions \$1,200 or more may pay in twelve equal monthly installments, due on the 26<sup>th</sup> of each month, provided that they submit their TRS Reporting Worksheet by July 26<sup>th</sup>.
- 4. Carriers reporting \$10,000 or less in gross intrastate retail revenues shall contribute at least \$10.00 for the period July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006.
- 5. Every carrier, except Commercial Mobile Radio Service ("CMRS") providers, shall comply with the 30-day notice requirement of HRS § 269-16(b) and HAR § 6-80-40(b) for any TRS surcharge imposed on its customers, both residential and business, to recover the amount of its contribution. CMRS providers shall place information on their TRS surcharges on their websites, consistent with Decision and Order No. 20890, filed on April 7, 2004, in Docket No. 03-0186.
- 6. Order No. 20193, filed on May 23, 2003, in Docket No. 03-0058, is amended consistent with the terms and conditions of this decision and order. In all other respects, Order No. 20193 remains unchanged.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Carlito P. Caliboso, Chairman

By (EXCUSED)
Wayne H. Kimura, Commissioner

Kawelo,

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Kevin M. Katsura Commission Counsel

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# State of Hawaii Public Utilities Commission Telecommunications Relay Services Carrier Remittance Worksheet For the Period July 1, 20\_\_\_\_ - June 30, 20\_\_\_

Si	ECTIONA	CARRIERIDENTIEGATION
	Date:	
	Company Name:	
	Mailing Address:	
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	Email Address:	

1. Gross Revenues (Based on Prior Calendar Year)	
(e.g., Current year is 20X2; Report revenues from 20X1)  (Amount should match gross revenues reported for Hawaii PUC Fee purposes, HRS § 269-30)	
2. Less: Revenue Adjustments (describe, see Section E)	>
3. Gross Intrastate Retail Revenues	
4. Hawaii TRS Contribution Factor	.001
5. Gross Hawaii TRS Assessment (line 3 x line 4)	
6. Greater of line 5 or \$10.00 (minimum due)	

If Line 6 is less than \$1,200, this is your annual contribution to the TRS Fund for the period beginning July 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year to June 30<sup>th</sup> of the following year. Please pay the amount on line 6, in full, by July 26<sup>th</sup> of the current year. Send your remittance with a copy of this worksheet to the address listed below.

If Line 6 is \$1,200 or more, continue to line 7 below.

SECTION C	MONTHLY CONTRIBUT	ON TO	2.16.1190
7. Divide line 6			

Line 7 is your first monthly contribution to the TRS Fund, for the period beginning July 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year **to** June 30<sup>th</sup> of the following year. Send your 1<sup>st</sup> monthly remittance with a copy of this worksheet to the address listed **below**. Please pay the amount on line 7 by July 26<sup>th</sup>. NECA Services, Inc. will then send you a bill for the remaining eleven monthly payments.

Under penalties as provided by law, I certify that I am duly authorized to verify the foregoing information contained herein and that the information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.								
Date	Officer Name	Officer Signature	Officer Title					
Date	Contact Name	Contact Phone	Contact Title					

Questions???
Hawaii TRS Administrator
NECA Services, Inc.
80 S. Jefferson Road
Whippany, NJ 07981
Phone (973) 884-8011
Fax (973) 599-6504

Make checks payable to
"Hawaii TRS"
and send with worksheet to:
Attn: Hawaii TRS Administrator
NECA Services, Inc.
80 S. Jefferson Road
Whippany, NJ 07981

SECTION E DETAILS CONCERNING REVENUE ADJUSTMENT(S)			
If revenue adjustment(s) are not explained here, amounts deducted will be disallowed and proposed assessments may be prepared against you.			
Describe amounts deducted from Gross Revenues to obtain Gross			
Intrastate Retail Revenues (list):	Amount		
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TOTAL	•		

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served a copy of the foregoing Decision and Order No. 21847 upon the following parties, by causing a copy hereof to be mailed, postage prepaid, and properly addressed to each such party.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS DIVISION OF CONSUMER ADVOCACY
P. O. Box 541
Honolulu, HI 96809

MAGGIE SCHOOLAR
GOVERNMENT ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE
SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS
1321 Rutherford Lane, Suite 120
Austin, TX 78753

Karen Higashi

DATED: MAY 3 1 2005

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DATED: JUL 2 5 2005