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Kentucky Public Service Commission
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Frankfort, KY 40601-0615

Case No. 2005-00272

June 29, 2005

Subject: Petition for designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214(e).

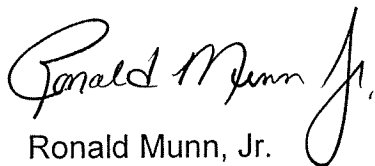
Dear Ms. O'Donnell:

Please accept this letter as a petition to the Commission for designation of Budget Phone, Inc. as an eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214 (e).

Enclosed for filing with the Commission are the original and three copies of the supporting documentation of this petition. Budget Phone, Inc., has met the requirements for ETC designation. Grant of this request will serve the public good by allowing Budget to serve current and additional low-income subscribers.

Please refer any questions about this application to Budget Phone, Inc. at P.O. Box 19360, Shreveport, LA., 71129 or telephone at (318) 671-5703.

Sincerely,



Ronald Munn, Jr.
Director, Regulatory & Revenue Assurance
Budget Phone, Inc

Before the
KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Petition of)
Budget Phone, Inc)
For Designation as an Eligible)
Telecommunications Carrier)

Docket No. 2005-00272

APPLICATION OF BUDGET PHONE, INC.
FOR DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER

Budget Phone, Inc. (“Budget Phone or the “Company”), pursuant to Section 214(e)(2) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the “Act”), 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(2), hereby petitions the Kentucky Public Service Commission (“Commission”) for designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (“ETC”) in the Bell South exchanges (See List attached) (“Designated Area”) for the purpose of receiving federal universal service support. As demonstrated below, Budget Phone satisfies all of the requirements for designation as an ETC in the Designated Area and respectfully requests that the Commission grant this Petition.

I. Background

1. Budget Phone is a Louisiana corporation and is authorized to provide competitive local exchange telecommunications services in Kentucky. The Company provides unbundled network local exchange and exchange access services in all Bell South exchanges using Bell South facilities for the provision of unbundled (UNE-P) services.

2. As set forth in Section 214(e)(2) of the Act, the Commission “shall upon its own motion or upon request designate a common carrier that meets the requirements of [Section 214(e)(1)] as an eligible telecommunications carrier for a service area designated by the State commission.” Upon designation as an ETC, the carrier shall be eligible to receive universal support in accordance with Section 254 of the Act.

3. The requirements for designation as an ETC set forth in Section 214(e)(1) are that the carrier must:

- (A) offer the services that are supported by Federal universal support mechanisms under section 254(c), either using its own facilities or a combination of its own facilities and resale of another carrier’s services (including the services offered by another eligible telecommunications carrier); and
- (B) advertise the availability of such services and the charges therefore using the media of general distribution.

II. Budget Phone Satisfies the Requirements for Designation as an ETC to Serve the Designated Area

4. Budget Phone is a common carrier as defined in 47 U.S.C. § 153(10) and provides competitive local exchange telecommunications services in the state of Kentucky in accordance with rules established by the Kentucky Public Service Commission. Budget Phone is tariffed for the provision of Local Service in the Budget Phone Local Service Tariff, which was first approved on May 28, 2000.

5. The services that are supported by Federal universal support mechanisms under section 254(c) are enumerated in the rules of the Federal Communications Commission (“FCC”) at 47 C.F.R. § 54.101(a)(1)-(9). Budget Phone offers all these services using unbundled services leased from Bell South. These services are:

- a. voice grade access to the public switched network;

- b. local usage;
- c. dual tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent;
- d. single-party service or its functional equivalent;
- e. access to 911 and E911 emergency service;
- f. access to operator services;
- g. access to interexchange service;
- h. access to directory assistance;
- i. toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

6. Upon designation as an ETC, Budget Phone will participate in, and offer, LifeLine and Link-Up programs to qualifying low-income consumers as required by FCC Rules.

7. Budget Phone will advertise the availability of the above-referenced services and the charges for those services in the Designated Area using the media of general distribution.

8. Attached as Exhibit A to this Petition is the Declaration of Art Magee, Comptroller of Budget Phone certifying that the Company satisfies all of the requirements for designation as an ETC to serve the Designated Area.

III. Area for Which ETC Designation is Requested

Budget Phone has served and will continue to serve the exchanges of Bell South in the state of Kentucky. The Company does not request at this time to be designated an ETC in a rural telecom area. The areas that Budget Phone serves are attached.

For the foregoing reasons, Budget Phone respectfully requests that the Commission grant its petition and designate the Company as an ETC for the Bell South exchange territory.

Respectfully submitted,

Budget Phone, Inc.

By:


Ronald Munn Jr.

Director, Regulatory & Revenue

Assurance

Budget Phone, Inc.

June 28, 2005

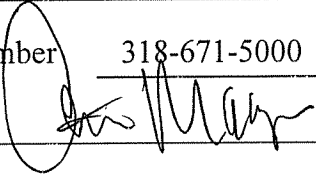
Exhibit A

1. Certification:

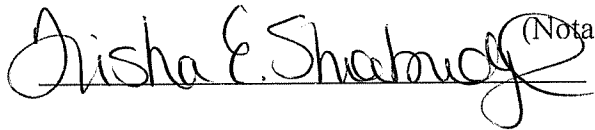
I Art Magee certify that I am the company officer/employee responsible for this request and that I have examined/formulated the foregoing request. To the best of my knowledge, information and belief, all statements of fact contained in said request are correct statements of the business and affairs of the requesting carrier with respect to each and every matter set forth.

Dated June 28, 2005

Telephone Number 318-671-5000

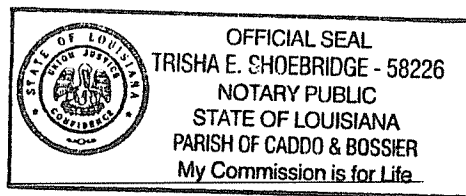
Signature 

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public in and for the State of Louisiana above named, this 28th day of June, 2005.

 (Notary Public)

(Seal)

My Commission Expires:



HOME PHONE SERVICE RATE PLANS

RESIDENTIAL

UNLIMITED LONG DISTANCE

No contracts

No deposits

No credit checks



PREPAID RATE PLANS	BASIC \$39.95 <small>plus taxes and fees</small>	DELUXE \$49.95 <small>plus taxes and fees</small>
LONG DISTANCE*	500* <small>minutes</small>	UNLIMITED
LOCAL CALLING	UNLIMITED	UNLIMITED
<i>Call Waiting</i>	\$5	FREE
<i>Caller ID</i>	\$10	FREE
<i>Call Return</i>	\$8	FREE
<i>Call Forwarding</i>	\$5	FREE
<i>Three-Way Calling</i>	\$5	FREE

Activation fee may apply. Features & packages offered may vary by market.

*Customer acknowledges and agrees that the unlimited long distance is for residential voice telephone service within the continental United States only and excludes chat room, telemarketing, commercial, facsimile (commercial), resale, internet, automated dialing, 900 numbers, special interest lines and any other non-residential use. Use by Customer of more than 2000 long distance minutes per month shall be considered to be other than residential use and shall be a prohibited use ("Prohibited Use"). Budget Phone has the right to terminate or to suspend service without notice, if any prohibited use is discovered. This product is subject to the terms and conditions of the Customer Contract between Budget Phone and Customer. Free long distance minutes on \$29.95 and \$39.95 plans includes 250 minutes per month for the first 2 months. Minutes in excess of 250 may not be used within a single month. Long Distance value is based on 1.9c per minute with a 25c surcharge.

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Agent:

Bell South Zones

KY Wire Center (8-digit CLLI)	KY UNE Zone	
DAVLKYMA	1	
LSVLKY26	1	
LSVLKYAN	1	
LSVLKYAP	1	
LSVLKYBE	1	
LSVLKYBR	1	
LSVLKYSH	1	
LSVLKYSL	1	
LSVLKYSM	1	
LSVLKYTS	1	
LSVLKYWE	1	
LSVMKYCY	1	
MYVLKYMA	1	
OWBOKYMA	1	
PDCHKYMA	1	
BRTWKYES	2	
BWLGKYMA	2	
CNCYKYMA	2	
CRBNKYMA	2	
ERTNKYMA	2	
FRFTKYES	2	
FRFTKYMA	2	
GRTWKYMA	2	
HNSNKYMA	2	
HPVLKYMA	2	
LOUSKYES	2	
LSVLKYCW	2	
LSVLKYFC	2	
LSVLKYHA	2	
LSVLKYJT	2	
LSVLKYOA	2	
LSVLKYVS	2	
MCCRKYMA	2	
MDBOKYMA	2	
MDVIKYMA	2	
MRRYKYMA	2	
MYFDKYMA	2	
OKGVKYES	2	
PDCHKYIP	2	
PDCHKYLO	2	
PDCHKYRL	2	
PKVLKYGV	2	
PKVLKYMA	2	
PNVLKYMA	2	
RCMDKYMA	2	
RSTRKYES	2	

Bell South Zones

KY Wire Center (8-digit CLLI)	KY UNE Zone	
SHVLKYMA	2	
SYMSKYMA	2	
WDBNKYMA	2	
WNCHKYMA	2	
WTVYKYMA	2	
ALLNKYMA	3	
AURRKYMA	3	
BDFRKYMA	3	
BGDDKYMA	3	
BLFDKYMA	3	
BLSPKYMA	3	
BNLYKYMA	3	
BNTNKYMA	3	
BRGNKYMA	3	
BRMNKYMA	3	
BVDMKYMA	3	
BWLGKYRV	3	
BYVLKYMA	3	
CADZKYMA	3	
CHPLKYMA	3	
CLAYKYMA	3	
CLHNKYMA	3	
CLPTKYMA	3	
CLTNKYES	3	
CMBGKYMA	3	
CNTNKYMA	3	
CNTWKYMA	3	
COTNKYMA	3	
CRBOKYMA	3	
CRLSKYMA	3	
CRTNKYMA	3	
CYDNKYMA	3	
CYNTKYMA	3	
DIXNKYMA	3	
DRBOKYES	3	
DWSPKYES	3	
EDVLKYMA	3	
EKTNKYMA	3	
ELCYKYES	3	
EMNNKYES	3	
EMNNKYPL	3	
ENSRKYMA	3	
FDCKKYES	3	
FDVLKYMA	3	
FEBRKYMA	3	
FKLNKYMA	3	

Bell South Zones

KY Wire Center (8-digit CLLI)	KY UNE Zone	
FLTNKYMA	3	
FNVLKYMA	3	
FORDKYMA	3	
FRDNKYMA	3	
GBVLKYMA	3	
GHNTKYMA	3	
GNVLKYMA	3	
GRACKYMA	3	
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MGFDKYMA	3	
MGTWKYMA	3	
MLBGKYMA	3	
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MRGPKYMA	3	
MTEDKYMA	3	
MTSTKYMA	3	
NEBOKYMA	3	
NEONKYES	3	
NRVLKYMA	3	
NWHNKYMA	3	
OWTNKYMA	3	
PARSKYMA	3	
PIVLKYMA	3	

Bell South Zones

KY Wire Center (8-digit CLLI)	KY UNE Zone	
PKVLKYMT	3	
PLRGKYMA	3	
PMBRKYMA	3	
PNTHKYMA	3	
PRBGKYES	3	
PRTNKYES	3	
PRVDKYMA	3	
PRVLKYMA	3	
PTRYKYMA	3	
RBRDKYMA	3	
RLVLKYMA	3	
SCRMKYMA	3	
SDVLKYMA	3	
SEBRKYMA	3	
SHGVKYMA	3	
SLGHKYMA	3	
SLPHKYMA	3	
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SRGHKYMA	3	
SSVLKYMA	3	
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STGRKYMA	3	
STNLKYMA	3	
STONKYMA	3	
STRGKYMA	3	
SWSNKYMA	3	
TRE NKYMA	3	
TYVLKYMA	3	
UTICKYMA	3	
VIRGKYMA	3	
WACOKYMA	3	
WDDYKYMA	3	
WHBGKYMA	3	
WHVLKYMA	3	
WLBGKYMA	3	
WLCKKYES	3	
WLVLKYMA	3	
WNCHKYPV	3	
WRFDKYMA	3	
WSBGKYMA	3	
WSPNKYMA	3	
WYLDKYES	3	