

Application For A New Or Amended Certificate Of Public Convenience And Necessity for INTRASTATE INTEREXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS REGISTRATION APPLICATION

Dear Applicant:

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Before providing intrastate interexchange telecommunications service to the public in Alaska, an entity must first obtain a certificate of public convenience and necessity or must register under 3 AAC 52.358. Entities that are not eligible for registration and must obtain certification include:

- 1) an entity that proposes to provide facilities-based intrastate interexchange telephone service, whether or not the entity is registered under 3 AAC 52.358;
- 2) an interexchange carrier or alternate operator service (AOS) provider that is registered under 3 AAC 52.358, if that entity has more than one million intrastate billable minutes for three consecutive months;
- 3) an incumbent local exchange carrier (This applies to Alaskan incumbents who must file certificate applications pursuant to 3 AAC 48.600 - 3 AAC 48.661.);
- 4) an entity that provides service to inmates in a correctional facility; and
- 5) an entity affiliated with either a facilities-based interexchange carrier or an incumbent local exchange carrier.

Entities that do not fall into one of the five categories listed above (i.e., generally small resellers and AOS providers) must file for registration.

Entities filing for registration, and not currently certificated to provide intrastate interexchange service in Alaska, must the following:

- 1) completed and signed [Form RE301](#);
- 2) completed and signed [Tariff Content Verification Form](#);
- 3) \$100 registration fee;
- 4) \$5,000 bond (if providing any prepaid services) or \$1,000 bond (if not providing any prepaid services);
- 5) a paper copy of the entity's online tariff;

- 6) IBM-PC compatible diskette containing tariff in html format (one only); and
- 7) copy of the utility's [authority to do business in Alaska](#).

A currently certificated interexchange carrier must convert to registered status unless it meets one of the five criteria listed in 3 AAC 52.360(a). The filing requirements are the same as those listed above except that:

- 1) we have prepared a different application [Form RE302](#) for this class of entities; and
- 2) converting entities must turn in their certificate along with their application. An application from a converting entity that does not include a returned certificate will be rejected unless the application also includes a request, and justification, for waiver of this requirement. In addition, a converting carrier may not use the registration application process as an opportunity to make changes to its existing rates or terms and conditions. All substantive tariff changes must be filed in conformance with existing tariff filing requirements for the form of regulation that applies to the entity (i.e., tariff filing requirements for certificated carriers or tariff filing requirements for registered entities). To avoid administrative confusion to your staff and ours, you are encouraged to convert to registration at a time when you do not have a pending (certificated IXC) tariff revision before the Commission. If that is not possible, you should submit two versions of your proposed (registered entity) tariff: one which includes, and one which does not include, the pending tariff revision.

Registered entities are required to file for Re-registration by January 31 of each year using [Form RE303](#).

Please note that there are no local access and transport areas (LATAs) in Alaska. LATAs were established in 1984 with the break up of AT&T to designate the service areas of Regional Bell Operating Companies (RBOCs). However, none of Alaska's incumbent local exchange carriers is a RBOC. Local exchange services in Alaska are provided by approximately 23 incumbent local exchange companies (ILECs) and less than half a dozen competitive local exchange companies (CLECs). With a few exceptions (generally, extended area service (EAS) arrangements), none of the ILECs directly provide interexchange service. Many ILECs do have IXC affiliates, but they are rarely facilities-based providers.

If you register successfully, you will be responsible for ensuring that appropriate intrastate access charges are paid on the services you sell. In general, intrastate access charges are to be paid, either directly or indirectly, on any 907-to-907 calls, even if those calls are completed using the interstate network. It is your responsibility to make adequate arrangements to ensure compliance with the Commission's access charge policies.

Depending on how you provide service, you may be required to report your intrastate minutes-of-use and directly pay access charges on those intrastate minutes-of-usage. Typically there are four ways of providing intrastate service in Alaska:

- facilities-based service (This option is not available to registered entities.);
- resale of intrastate retail service;
- resale of intrastate wholesale service; and
- resale of interstate service.

In general, if you purchase intrastate retail services from a facilities-based provider, you are likely paying access indirectly as part of your retail rates and no further access fees may be owed for these intrastate minutes-of-usage. If, however, you have purchased intrastate wholesale services from a facilities-based carrier, it is possible you will need to report some or all intrastate minutes-of-usage and pay access charges associated with those intrastate minutes-of-usage directly to the local access provider (e.g., the Alaska Exchange Carriers Association). The access provider's tariff should provide details regarding its requirements.

A carrier that resells services purchased under an interstate contract or interstate tariff is separately responsible for reporting intrastate access minutes. In this situation, charges may apply to the access minutes of an intrastate call that originates or terminates in Alaska. (The primary intrastate access charge for this type of carrier is typically the Alaska Exchange Carrier Association's per minute Carrier Common Line charge.) This requirement applies whether or not the reseller or underlying carrier pays interstate access charges, unless the reseller can affirmatively show that the underlying carrier is paying intrastate access charges on the reseller's intrastate minutes-of-usage.

The Commission's regulations (3 AAC 48.090) require that the final typed application be submitted in an original and ten (10) duplicate copies. Filings should be mailed or delivered to:

Regulatory Commission of Alaska,
701 West Eighth Avenue, Suite 300
Anchorage, Alaska 99501-3469.

If we can be of any further assistance with the completion of the application and financial schedules, please feel free to contact us at (907) 276-6222 in Anchorage, or within Alaska (800) 390-2782.

Sincerely,

Regulatory Commission of Alaska

- NEW APPLICATION FOR IXC/AOS APPLICANTS
(Form RE301)

This form is for applicants APPLYING for registration to provide IXC telecommunications that are not currently certificated. (Certificated IXC providers must convert to registration using Form RE302.)

- CONVERSION APPLICATION FOR CERTIFIED IXC APPLICANTS
(Form RE302)

This form is for certificated IXC providers CONVERTING to registration. Alternate operator service (AOS) providers and IXC NOT currently certificated must use RCA FORM RE301.

- RE-REGISTRATION APPLICATION FOR CERTIFIED IXC APPLICANTS
(Form RE303)

This form must be completed and included with an entity's application for registration and also filed with each tariff revision.

- TARIFF CONTENT VERIFICATION FORM

This form must be completed and included with an entity's application for registration and also filed with each tariff revision.

**REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA
MASTER UTILITY DIRECTORY INFORMATION**

Please complete form and return to:

Records and Filings
Regulatory Commission of Alaska
701 West Eighth Ave., Suite 300
Anchorage, AK 99501-3469
In Anchorage (907) 276-6222
Within Alaska (800) 390-2782

GENERAL INFORMATION UPDATE FORM

Name of Pipeline/Utility Carrier:_____

Address:_____

_____ Zip Code:_____

Telephone No:_____ Fax No:_____

EIN Number:_____ Certificate No.:_____

MANAGEMENT

List all principal management personnel

Name	Address	Local Manager	Phone No.
President:_____			
General Manager:_____			
Principal Attorney(s):_____			
Accountant:_____			
Engineer:_____			

Service Area Information

For all principal management personnel

Location	Local Address	Local Manager	Phone No.

