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October 31, 2002

Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts
Missouri Public Service Commission
P.O. Box 360
Jefferson City, MO 65102

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Missouri Public
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**Re: Green Hills Area Cellular Telephone, Inc.
d/b/a Green Hills Telecommunications Services**

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Green Hills Area Cellular Telephone, Inc. d/b/a Green Hills Telecommunications Services ("GHTS"), please find an original and eight (8) copies of an Application for Designation As Eligible Carrier Pursuant to §254 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

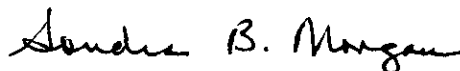
Would you please see that this filing is brought to the attention of the appropriate Commission personnel.

I thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

BRYDON, SWEARENGEN & ENGLAND P.C.

By:



Sondra B. Morgan

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cc: Office of the Public Counsel
General Counsel

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of the Application of)
Green Hills Area Cellular Telephone, Inc.)
d/b/a Green Hills Telecommunications Services)
for Designation as a Telecommunications)
Company Carrier Eligible for Federal Universal) Case No. _____
Service Support pursuant to § 254 of the)
Telecommunications Act of 1996.)

APPLICATION FOR DESIGNATION AS ELIGIBLE CARRIER
PURSUANT TO § 254 OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996

Comes now Green Hills Area Cellular Telephone, Inc. d/b/a Green Hills Telecommunications Services ("GHTS" or "Applicant") and pursuant to § 254 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 ("the Act"), as well as the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") regulations found at 47 CFR 54.201, et seq, issued with the May 7, 1997 Report and Order of the FCC in FCC Docket No. 96-45, and hereby requests that the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") designate it as a telecommunications carrier eligible under the provisions of 47 CFR 54.201(d) to receive federal universal service support.

In support of its Application, Applicant states as follows:

1. GHTS is a competitive local exchange company ("CLEC") certified by the Commission to provide basic local telecommunications service in the State of Missouri in Case No. TA-98-380. GHTS's street address and principal place of business is 7926 NE State Rt. M, Breckenridge, MO 64625-0227. GHTS's telephone number is (660) 644-5411, and it can be reached by facsimile at (660) 644-5464. Green Hills Area Cellular Telephone, Inc. is a Missouri corporation, and a copy of a Certificate of Good Standing from the Missouri

Secretary of State is marked Appendix A and attached hereto. A copy of GHTS's registration of fictitious name is marked Appendix B and attached hereto. GHTS's Interconnection Agreement with Sprint Missouri, Inc. d/b/a Sprint ("Sprint") was approved by this Commission in Case No. TO-99-75. Pursuant to tariffs approved by the Commission, GHTS provides basic local telecommunications service through the use of its own facilities in one Missouri exchange, Norborne.

2. All correspondence, communications, pleadings, notices, orders and decisions relating to this Application should be addressed to:

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and

Renee' Reeter
Controller
Green Hills Area Cellular Telephone, Inc.
d/b/a Green Hills Telecommunications Services
P.O. Box 227
Breckenridge, MO 64625
(660) 644-5411
(660) 644-5464 (fax)
rreeter@ghtc.com (e-mail)

3. Section 214(e)(1) of the Act states that a carrier may be designated as an eligible telecommunications carrier and therefore receive universal service support so long as the

carrier, throughout its service area: (1) offers the services that are supported by federal universal service support mechanisms under section 254(c) of the Act; (2) offers such services 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 (3) advertises the availability of and charges for such services using media of general distribution. Title 47 of the Code of Federal Regulations § 54.201(b) states that the Commission shall, on its own motion or upon request, designate a common carrier an "eligible telecommunications carrier" so long as the carrier meets the requirements of 47 CFR 54.201(d). Title 47 CFR § 54.201(c) further states that a state commission shall designate more than one common carrier as an eligible telecommunications carrier for a service area designated by the state commission so long as the additional requesting carrier meets the requirements of § 54.201(d).

4. GHTS, through its own facilities, offers all of the services supported by federal universal service support under § 254(c) of the Act. Specifically, GHTS offers the following services:

- (1) Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- (2) Local usage;
- (3) Dual tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent;
- (4) Single-party service or its functional equivalent;
- (5) Access to emergency services;
- (6) Access to operator services;
- (7) Access to interexchange service;
- (8) Access to directory assistance; and

(9) Toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.¹

5. Applicant advertises the availability of and charges for such services using media of general distribution within its service area. An Affidavit of Publication showing proof of such advertising is attached as Appendix C.

6. Applicant acknowledges that 47 CFR 54.405 requires all eligible telecommunications carriers to make Lifeline services (as defined in 47 CFR 54.401) available to qualifying low-income consumers. Lifeline services are available to qualifying low-income consumers in its service area.

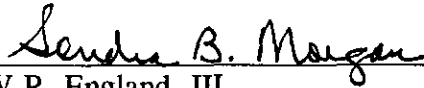
7. Applicant does not have any pending action, or final unsatisfied judgment or decisions against it from any state or federal agency or court which involve customer service or rates, which action, judgment or decision has occurred within three (3) years of the date of the application.

8. Applicant does not have any annual reports or assessment fees that are overdue.

WHEREFORE, on the basis of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests that the Commission designate it as a telecommunications carrier eligible under the provisions of 47 CFR 54.201(d) to receive federal universal service support and for such other orders as are deemed necessary or convenient in this matter.

¹On December 30, 1997, the FCC changed its definition of toll-limitation services in its Fourth Order on Reconsideration of the Universal Service Report and Order, CC Docket Nos. 96-45 et al. The FCC stated, "we define toll-limitation services as either toll blocking or toll control and require telecommunications carriers to offer only one, and not necessarily both, of those services at this time in order to be designated as eligible telecommunications carriers." Id. at 2103. MTCC currently offers toll blocking service to qualifying customers.

Respectfully submitted,



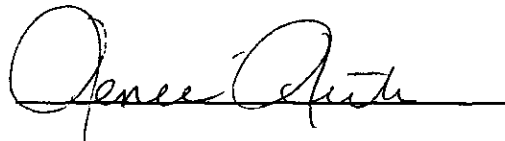
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Attorneys for Green Hills Area Cellular
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Telecommunications Services

VERIFICATION

STATE OF MISSOURI)
) ss
COUNTY OF Caldwell)

Renee' Reeter, having been duly sworn upon her oath, states that she is Controller of Green Hills Telecommunications Services, Inc., the Applicant herein, and as such, is duly authorized by the Applicant to execute the foregoing Application and to make this Affidavit on its behalf, and that the matters and things stated in the foregoing Application and Appendices thereto are true and correct the best of her knowledge, information and belief.

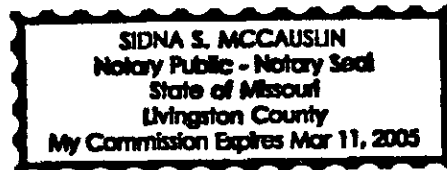


Renee' Reeter
Controller
7927 NE State Route M
Breckenridge, MO 64625

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public, on this 23rd day of October, 2002.


Notary Public

My Commission Expires: March 11, 2005

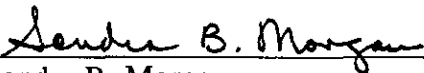


CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was sent by U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, or hand-delivered on this 31st day of October, 2002, to the following parties:

Office of General Counsel
Missouri Public Service Commission
P.O. Box 360
Jefferson City, MO 65102

Michael F. Dandino
Office of Public Counsel
P.O. Box 7800
Jefferson City, MO 65102



Sondra B. Morgan

No. 00366563

STATE OF MISSOURI



Matt Blunt
Secretary of State

CORPORATION DIVISION


CERTIFICATE OF CORPORATE GOOD STANDING

I, MATT BLUNT, Secretary of State of the State of Missouri, do hereby certify that the records in my office and in my care and custody reveal that

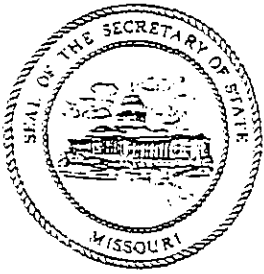
GREEN HILLS AREA CELLULAR TELEPHONE, INC.

was incorporated under the laws of this State on the 20th day of MAY, 1992, and is in good standing, having fully complied with all requirements of this office.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand and imprinted the GREAT SEAL of the State of Missouri, on this, the 23rd day of OCTOBER, 2002.


Secretary of State





State of Missouri

No. X _____

Rebecca McDowell Cook, Secretary of State
Corporation Division

Registration of Fictitious Name

(Submit in duplicate with a filing fee of \$7)

This information is for the use of the public and gives no protection to the name. There is no provision in this Chapter to keep another company or corporation from adopting and using the same name. (RSMo 417)

We, the undersigned, are doing business under the following name, and at the following address:

Name to be registered: Green Hills Telecommunications Services

Missouri Business Address: 7926 N.E. State Route M
(P.O. Boxes not accepted)

City, State and Zip Code: Breckenridge, MO 64625

The parties having an interest in the business, and the percentage they own are (if a corporation is owner, indicate corporation name and percentage owned). If all parties are jointly and severally liable, percentage of ownership need not be listed:

Name of Owners, Individual or Corporate	Street and Number	City	State and Zip Code	If listed, Percentage of ownership must equal 100%
Green Hills Area Cellular Telephone Company, Inc.	7926 N.E. State Route M	Breckenridge	MO 64625	100%
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

(Must be typed or printed)

Return to: Secretary of State
Corporation Division
P.O. Box 778
Jefferson City, Mo. 65102

(Over)

The undersigned, being all the parties owning interest in the above company, being duly sworn, upon their oaths each did say that the statements and matters set forth herein are true.

Individual
Owners
Sign Here

X _____ X _____
X _____ X _____
X _____ X _____

The undersigned corporation has caused this application to be executed in its name by its President or Vice-President and its Secretary or Assistant Secretary, this 9th day of February, 19 98.

Green Hills Area Cellular Telephone Co., Inc.

(Exact Corporate Title)

By David Hatfield

its President or Vice-President

By: Philip A. [Signature]

its Secretary or Assistant Secretary

If
Corporation
is
Owner,
Corporate
Officers
Execute
Here

(Corporate Seal)
If no seal, state "none".

State of Missouri

County of Caldwell

} ss

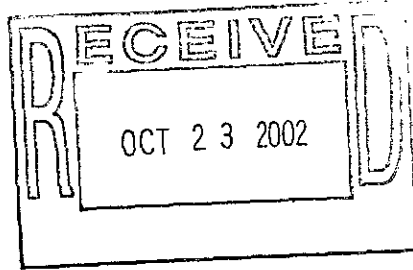
I, Sidna S. McCauslin, A Notary Public, do hereby certify that on the 9th day of February, 19 98, personally appeared before me David Hatfield and being first duly sworn by me, acknowledged that he signed as his own free act and deed the foregoing document in the capacity therein set forth and declared that the statements therein contained are true.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year before written.

(Notarial Seal)

Sidna S. McCauslin

SIDNA S. McCAUSLIN, Notary Public
Notary Seal, State of Missouri
Commissioned in Livingston County



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AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

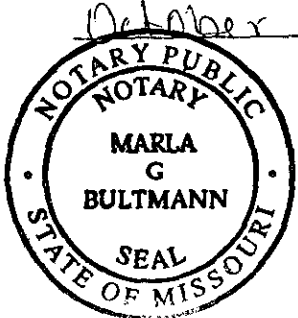
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STATE OF MISSOURI)
COUNTY OF CARROLL) ss.

I, Frank Mercer, being duly sworn the Publisher of the *Norborne Daily* general circulation in the County of *Carroll* located; which newspaper has been periodical class matter in the City of *Norborne* publication; which newspaper has consecutively for a period of three subscribers, voluntarily engaged as pay a stated price for a subscription that such newspaper has complied 493.050, Revised Statutes of Missouri Revised Statutes of Missouri 2000 said newspaper in the following counties:

First
Insertion: Vol. 102 No. 40
Second
Insertion: Vol. _____ No. _____
Third
Insertion: Vol. _____ No. _____
Fourth
Insertion: Vol. _____ No. _____
Fifth
Insertion: Vol. _____ No. _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me



NOTARY PUBLIC-STATE OF MISSOURI
NOTARY SEAL
CARROLL COUNTY
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES FEB 21, 2006

My Commission Expires _____

Green Hills Telecommunications Services is a quality telecommunications services provider who provides basic and enhanced services at reasonable rates within Norborne. Basic services are offered at the following rates:

	Monthly Rates
Single Party Residence Service	\$6.50
Single Party Business Service	\$13.00
Federal Subscriber Line Charge-Single Line.....	\$6.00
Tone Dial Service.....	No Charge
Toll Blocking.....	\$1.00

Directory Assistance - The first three direct dialed calls per month are free if Green Hills Communications is the long distance carrier. Each additional direct dialed call is charged \$.40 per request.

Carroll County has passed a sales tax increase to provide Enhanced 911 Services. However, in the interim, Green Hills Telecommunications Services, in conjunction with the Carroll County Sheriff's Office, is providing Basic 911 Services.

Low-income individuals eligible for Lifeline and Link-Up telephone assistance programs may be eligible for discounts from these basic local charges.

Basic services are offered to all consumers in Norborne at the rates, terms and conditions specified in the Company's tariffs. If you have any questions regarding the Company's services, please call us at 1-800-846-3426 or visit our business office in Breckenridge, Missouri, for further information regarding our services.

