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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

Office of the Secretary of State
Corporations Division
100 North Main Street
Providence, Rhode Island 02903-1335

BUSINESS CORPORATION

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY
(To Be Filed In Duplicate Original)

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 7-1.1-103 of the General Laws, 1956, as amended, the undersigned foreign corporation hereby applies for a Certificate of Authority to transact business in the state of Rhode Island, and for that purpose submits the following statement:

1. The name of the corporation is The Hamilton Telephone Company
2. It is incorporated under the laws of Nebraska
3. The name, if different, which it elects to use in Rhode Island is:
 - (a) If the name of the corporation in its jurisdiction of incorporation does not contain the word "corporation," "company," "incorporated," or "limited," or an abbreviation thereof, then list the name of the corporation with the addition of one of the above corporate endings for use in Rhode Island:

 - (b) If the corporate name is not available in Rhode Island, then set forth below the fictitious name under which the corporation will qualify and transact business in Rhode Island as stated in the "Fictitious Business Name Statement" to be filed with this application:

4. The date of its incorporation is June 11, 1901 and the period of its duration is Perpetual
5. The address of its principal office in the state or country under the laws of which it is incorporated is 1001 Twelfth Street, Aurora, Nebraska 68818
6. The address of its proposed registered office in Rhode Island is c/o Cameron & Mittleman LLP, 56 Exchange Terrace
Providence, RI 02903 and the name of its proposed registered agent in Rhode Island at
(City/Town) (Zip Code)
that address is John W. Wolfe, Esq.
(Name of Agent)
7. The specific purpose or purposes which it proposes to pursue in the transaction of business in Rhode Island are:
To provide telephone relay service throughout the State of Rhode Island.

8. The names and respective addresses of the directors and officers are:

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Director	See Exhibit A, attached hereto	
Director	"	
President	"	
Vice President	"	
Treasurer	"	
Secretary	"	

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9. The aggregate number of shares which it has authority to issue, itemized by classes, par value of shares, shares without par value, and series, if any, within a class, is:

Number of Shares	Class	Series	Par Value or Statement that Shares are without Par Value
6,666.6	Common		\$15.00 per share
1,000	Preferred		\$100.00 per share

10. The aggregate number of its issued shares, itemized by classes, par value of shares, shares without par value, and series, if any, within a class, is:

Number of Shares	Class	Series	Par Value or Statement that Shares are without Par Value
3235	Common		\$15.00 per share
None	Preferred		\$100.00 per share

11. (a) An estimate of the value of all property to be owned by the corporation for the following year, wherever located, is \$ 25,000,000.
- (b) An estimate of the value of the corporation's property to be located within Rhode Island during the following year is \$ 0.
- (c) An estimate, expressed as a percentage, of the proportion that the estimated value of the property of the corporation to be located within this state during the following year bears to the value of all property of the corporation to be owned during the following year, wherever located, is 0 %. [divide (b) by (a) and multiply by 100 to obtain the percentage].
12. (a) An estimate of the gross amount of business to be transacted by the corporation during the following year is \$ 4,800,000.
- (b) An estimate of the gross amount of business to be transacted by the corporation at or from places of business in Rhode Island during the following year is \$ 0.
- (c) An estimate, expressed as a percentage, of the proportion that the gross amount of business to be transacted by the corporation at or from places of business in this state during the following year bears to the gross amount thereof which will be transacted by the corporation during the following year is 0 % [divide (b) by (a) and multiply by 100 to obtain the percentage].
13. This application is accompanied by certified copies of its articles of incorporation and all amendments thereto, duly authenticated by the secretary of state or other authorized officer of the jurisdiction of its incorporation.

Date: July 23, 2001

The Hamilton Telephone Company

Print Exact Name of Corporation Making Application

By

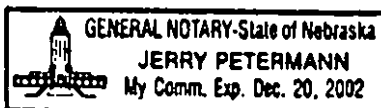
[Signature]
☐ President or ☒ Vice President (check one)

By

[Signature] ^{AND}
☒ Secretary or ☐ Assistant Secretary (check one)

STATE OF Nebraska
COUNTY OF Hamilton

In Aurora, on this 23rd day of July, 2001, personally appeared before me Gary Ullrich who, being by me first duly sworn, declared that he/she is the Vice President of the corporation and that he/she signed the foregoing document as such officer of the corporation, and that the statements herein contained are true.



Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 12-20-2002

Exhibit A

**The Hamilton Telephone Company
Current Officers and Directors**

1. Directors: Phillip C. Nelson
 Nancy K. Nelson
 James E. Nelson
 John Nelson
 Jim Nelson
 Betsy Nelson
 Lora Nelson

2. Officers: Phillip C. Nelson - President
 Gary Warren - Executive Vice President
 Nancy K. Nelson - Vice President
 James E. Nelson - Vice President
 Betty Van Luchene - Secretary/Treasurer
 Gary Warren - Assistant Secretary

STATE OF

NEBRASKA

United States of America,
State of Nebraska } ss.



Department of State
Lincoln, Nebraska

I, John A. Gale, Secretary of State of Nebraska do hereby certify;

**the attached is a true and correct copy of Articles of Incorporation as
filed in this office on June 11, 1901, and all amendments thereto of**

THE HAMILTON TELEPHONE COMPANY

with its registered office located in AURORA, Nebraska.

In Testimony Whereof,

**I have hereunto set my hand and
affixed the Great Seal of the State of
Nebraska on July 30, in the year of
our Lord, two thousand one.**



John A. Gale
SECRETARY OF STATE