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ALLTEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC. AND CENTURYTEL, INC. SEEK FCC CONSENT TO TRANSFER CONTROL OF LICENSES

WT Docket No. 02-85

PLEADING CYCLE ESTABLISHED

Petitions/Comments due: May 23, 2002
Oppositions due: June 3, 2002
Replies due: June 10, 2002

CenturyTel, Inc. ("CenturyTel") and ALLTEL Communications, Inc. ("ACI") have filed applications pursuant to Section 310(d) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended,¹ seeking Commission consent to transfer control of certain licenses and authorizations currently controlled by CenturyTel and certain of its affiliates. This transfer of control would take place as the result of a stock purchase agreement between CenturyTel and ACI pursuant to which ACI will take control of certain broadband Personal Communications Service ("PCS"), Fixed Microwave Service, and Cellular Radiotelephone Service ("Cellular") licenses controlled by CenturyTel.²

APPLICATIONS

The following applications for consent to transfer control of licenses in the PCS, Fixed Microwave, and Cellular services from CenturyTel to ACI have been assigned the following file numbers.

<u>File Number</u>	<u>Licensee</u>	<u>Lead Call Sign</u>
0000824599	Appleton Oshkosh Neenah MSA LP	KNKA425
0000824604	Cellular Mobile Systems of Michigan RSA # 7 LP	KNKQ319
0000824611	Cellular North Michigan Network GP	KNKN910
0000824623	Celutel of Biloxi, Inc.	WLR226

¹ 47 U.S.C. § 310(d).

² ACI also will be acquiring minority limited partnership interests from CenturyTel in the following entities: ALLTEL Cellular Associates of Arkansas Limited Partnership, Dallas SMSA Limited Partnership, Detroit SMSA Limited Partnership, Eastern SUB-RSA Limited Partnership, GTE Mobilnet of Austin Limited Partnership, Madison SMSA Limited Partnership, Midwest Wireless Holdings, L.L.C., Milwaukee SMSA Limited Partnership, Thumb Cellular Limited Partnership, Washington RSA No. 8 Limited Partnership, Wisconsin No. 4 Limited Partnership, Wisconsin No. 10 Limited Partnership.

0000824636	Century Cellunet of Arkansas RSA #12 Cellular LP	WMN810
0000824665	Century Cellunet of La Crosse LP	KNKA734
0000824703	Century Cellunet of Michigan RSA #4 Inc.	WMS655
0000824734	Century Cellunet of Michigan RSA #6 Cellular LP	KNKQ302
0000824689	Century Cellunet of Mississippi RSA #2 Inc.	KNKN623
0000824710	Century Cellunet of Mississippi RSA #6 Inc.	KNKN559
0000824587	Century Cellunet of Mississippi RSA #7 Inc.	KNKN619
0000824589	Century Cellunet of North Arkansas Cellular LP	KNKN692
0000824433	Century Cellunet of North Louisiana Cellular LP	KNKN647
0000824453	Century Cellunet of Pine Bluff LLC	WLT912
0000824484	Century Cellunet of Saginaw MSA LP	KNKA417
0000824504	Century Cellunet of Southern Michigan Cellular LP	KNKN915
0000824526	Century Cellunet of Southwest Arkansas Cellular LP	KNKN735
0000824376 ³	CenturyTel Telelink, Inc.	WLT654
0000824544	CenturyTel Wireless of Alexandria, LLC	KNKA588
0000824563	CenturyTel Wireless of Michigan RSA #1&2, Inc.	KNKQ320
0000824442	CenturyTel Wireless of Mississippi RSA #5, LLC	KNKQ448
0000824470	CenturyTel Wireless of North Louisiana, LLC	KNKN688
0000824502	Eau Claire Cellular Telephone LP	KNKA673
0000824531	Jackson Cellular Telephone Company, Inc.	WLV671
0000824558	Michigan RSA #9 LP	KNKQ303
0000824597	MVI Corp.	KNLG984
0000824593	Pascagoula Cellular Partnership	KNKA802
0000824616	Wisconsin RSA #1 LP	KNKN507
0000824628	Wisconsin RSA #2 LP	KNKN485
0000855980	Wisconsin RSA 3 Limited Partnership	KNKN360
0000824637	Wisconsin RSA #6 LP	KNKN541
0000824596	Wisconsin RSA #7 LP	WLW454
0000824603	Wisconsin RSA #8 LP	KNKN459

GENERAL INFORMATION

The applications referenced herein have been found, upon initial review, to be acceptable for filing. The Commission reserves the right to return any application if, upon further examination, it is determined to be defective and not in conformance with the Commission's rules or policies.

Final action on these applications will not be taken earlier than 31 days following the date of this Public Notice.⁴ Interested parties may file comments or petitions to deny no later than May 23, 2002. Oppositions to the comments or petitions to deny may be filed no later than June 3, 2002. Replies to the oppositions may be filed no later than June 10, 2002. All filings concerning matters referenced in this Public Notice should refer to DA 02-932 and WT Docket No. 02-85, as well as the specific file numbers of the individual applications or other matters to which the filings pertain.

All documents filed in this proceeding should indicate in the caption that this matter is

³ The applicants have designated File No. 0000824376 as the lead application in this transaction, and all pleadings and other submissions filed in this matter that pertain generally to the transaction and not to a particular application will be available through this file number.

⁴ See 47 U.S.C. § 309(b).

before the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Commercial Wireless Division, Policy and Rules Branch, and Public Safety and Private Wireless Division, Policy and Rules Branch.

Under the Commission's current procedures for the submission of filings and other documents,⁵ submissions in this matter may be filed electronically (i.e., by the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS)) or by hand delivery to the Commission's Massachusetts Avenue location.

- **If filed by ECFS,**⁶ comments shall be sent as an electronic file via the Internet to <http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html>. Generally, only one copy of an electronic submission must be filed. If multiple docket or rulemaking numbers appear in the caption of this proceeding, however, commenters must transmit one electronic copy of the comments to each docket or rulemaking number referenced in the caption. In completing the transmittal screen, commenters should include their full name, Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket or rulemaking number. Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To get filing instructions for e-mail comments, commenters should send an e-mail to ecfs@fcc.gov, and should include the following words in the body of the message, "get form <your e-mail address>." A sample form and directions will be sent in reply.
- **If filed by paper,** the original and four copies of each filing must be filed by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail (although we continue to experience delays in receiving U.S. Postal Service mail). The Commission's contractor, Vistrionix, Inc., will receive hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary at 236 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E., Suite 110, Washington, D.C. 20002. The filing hours at this location are 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of before entering the building. Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743. U.S. Postal Service first-class mail, Express Mail, and Priority Mail should be addressed to 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20554. All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission.

One copy of each pleading must be delivered electronically, by e-mail or facsimile, or if delivered as paper copy, by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail (according to the procedures set forth above for paper filings) to: (1) the Commission's duplicating contractor, Qualex International, at qualexint@aol.com or (202) 863-2898 (facsimile); (2) John Branscome, Commercial Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, at jbransco@fcc.gov, or (202) 418-7447 (facsimile); (3) Erin McGrath, Commercial Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, at emcgrath@fcc.gov or (202) 418-7447 (facsimile); and (4) Jeff Tobias, Public Safety and Private Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, at jtobias@fcc.gov or (202) 418-2643 (facsimile).

For further information, contact John Branscome or Erin McGrath, Commercial Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, at (202) 418-7240 (Parts 22 and 24); or Jeff Tobias,

⁵ See *In the Matter of Implementation of Interim Electronic Filing Procedures for Certain Commission Filings*, Order, FCC 01-345 (rel. Nov. 29, 2001); see also FCC Announces a New Filing Location for Paper Documents and a New Fax Number for General Correspondence, *Public Notice*, DA 01-2919 (rel. Dec. 14, 2001).

⁶ See *Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings*, 63 Fed. Reg. 24,121 (1998).

Public Safety and Private Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau at (202) 418-1617
(Part 101).

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