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**COMMENTS INVITED ON APPLICATION OF CTC EXCHANGE SERVICES,
INC. AND CTC LONG DISTANCE SERVICES, LLC TO DISCONTINUE
DOMESTIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES**

WC Docket No. 06-70
Comp. Pol. File No. 750

Comments Due: April 11, 2006

Section 214 Application

Applicants: CTC Exchange Services, Inc. and CTC Long Distance Services, LLC

On February 24, 2006, CTC Exchange Services, Inc. (CTCES) and CTC Long Distance Services, LLC (CTCLD) (collectively, CTC or Applicants) located at **1000 Progress Place, PO Box 227, Concord, NC 28026-0227**, filed an application with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or Commission) requesting authority, under section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 214, and section 63.71 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, to discontinue the provision of certain domestic telecommunications services to specific customers located in Raleigh, North Carolina.

CTC indicates that CTCES currently provides facilities-based local service and CTCLD currently provides long distance and toll free interstate interexchange services to retail customers in the Maybrook Crossing Subdivision in Raleigh, North Carolina. CTC proposes to discontinue providing these services for business reasons. CTCES states that the local service customers it currently serves have at least two alternative service providers from which to obtain service. In addition, CTCLD asserts that there are numerous long distance service providers that are available to these customers. CTC proposes to discontinue service to all affected customers as of May 3, 2006 subject to the approval of this application and receipt of the necessary state regulatory authorization. CTC states that, on February 17, 2006, it sent a notice to the affected customers containing the information required by section 63.71 of the Commission's rules. Finally, CTC asserts that CTCES and CTCLD are non-dominant carriers with respect to the services they propose to discontinue.

In accordance with section 63.71(c) of the Commission's rules, CTC's application will be deemed to be automatically granted on the thirty-first (31st) day after the release date of this public notice, unless the Commission notifies CTC that the grant will not be automatically effective. In CTC's application and notice to customers, CTC indicates that it anticipates discontinuing service on May 3, 2006, or as soon thereafter as the necessary governmental approvals can be obtained. Accordingly,

pursuant to section 63.71(c) and the terms of CTC's application and notice to customers, absent further Commission action, CTC may terminate service to its affected customers on **May 3, 2006**. The Commission will normally authorize proposed discontinuances of service unless it is shown that customers or other end users would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier, or that the public convenience and necessity would be otherwise adversely affected.

This proceeding is considered a "permit but disclose" proceeding for purposes of the Commission's ex parte rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200-1.1216. Comments objecting to this application must be filed with the Commission on or before **April 11, 2006**. Such comments should refer to **WC Docket No. 06-70 and Comp. Pol. File No. 750**. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance on the commenter, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) or by filing paper copies. *See Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings*, 63 FR 24121 (1998). Comments filed through the ECFS can be sent as an electronic file via the Internet to <http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/>. Filers should follow the instructions provided on the website for submitting comments. Generally, only one copy of an electronic submission must be filed. In completing the transmittal screen, filers should include their full name, U.S. 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, filers should send an e-mail to ecfs@fcc.gov, and include the following words in the body of the message, "get form." A sample form and directions will be sent in response.

Parties who choose to file by paper must send an original and four (4) copies of the comments to the Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room TW-A325, Washington, D.C. 20554. Filings can be sent 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). All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission. The Commission's contractor 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, and Priority mail should be addressed to 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20554.

Two (2) copies of the comments should also be sent to the Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room 5-C327, Washington, D.C. 20554, Attention: Carmell Weathers. In addition, comments should be served upon the Applicants. Commenters are also requested to fax their comments to the FCC at (202) 418-2345, Attention: Carmell Weathers.

The application will be available for public inspection and copying during regular business hours at the FCC Reference Center, Portals II, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room CY-A257, Washington, D.C. 20554, (202) 418-0270. A copy of the application may also be purchased from the Commission's duplicating contractor, Best Copy and Printing, Inc., 445 12th Street, S.W., Room CY-B402, Washington, D.C. 20554, telephone (202) 488-5300, facsimile (202) 488-5563, or via e-mail at

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For further information, contact Carmell Weathers, (202) 418-2325 (voice), carmell.weathers@fcc.gov, or Kimberly Jackson, (202) 418-7393 (voice), kimberly.jackson@fcc.gov of the Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau. The TTY number is (202) 418-0484. For further information on procedures regarding section 214 please visit http://www.fcc.gov/wcb/cpd/other_adjud.

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