

- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

In the Matter of the Application of )  
DYNAMIC TELCOM ENGINEERING, )  
L.L.C., dba LIGHTSPEED TELECOM, )  
for Authority to Provide Local Exchange )  
Service and other Public  
Telecommunications Service

DOCKET NO. 00-2342-01

REPORT AND ORDER

ISSUED: November 24, 2000

SYNOPSIS

By this Report and Order, the Public Service Commission of Utah (the "Commission") grants the request of DYNAMIC TELCOM ENGINEERING, L.L.C., dba LIGHTSPEED TELECOM ("LightSpeed"), for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("Certificate") authorizing LightSpeed to provide resold and facilities-based interexchange and local exchange service (collectively referred to as "Service") to business and residential customers in the State of Utah, exclusive of areas in which rural independent telecommunications companies operate. Having considered the record and the applicable law, and good cause appearing therefor, the Commission hereby makes, adopts, and enters the following Report and Order.

By The Commission:

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On August 28, 2000, pursuant to Utah Code Ann. §§ 54-8b-1 to -18 ("Utah Telecom Act"), and Title 63, Chapter 46b of the Utah Administrative Procedures Act, LightSpeed filed its Application for Authority to Compete as a Telecommunications Corporation and to Offer Public Telecommunications Services. The Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier ("ILEC") and all existing competitive local exchange carriers ("CLECs") have been notified of the Application. None of these has filed a petition to intervene.

Because there appears to be no opposition, and LightSpeed has established a *prima facie* case in support of its application, there appears to be no reason to convene an evidentiary hearing on the matter. Accordingly, the Administrative Law Judge, having been fully advised in the premises, enters the following Report, containing proposed Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and an Order based thereon.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. LightSpeed is an Ohio-domiciled limited liability company authorized to do business in Utah.
2. LightSpeed has requested that the Commission grant a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity authorizing it to provide Service throughout the State of Utah.
3. LightSpeed plans to construct its own facilities and/or to enter into a resale agreement with an existing ILEC or CLEC to provide Service in the State of Utah.
4. LightSpeed will use its managerial and technical expertise to support its Utah operations.
5. LightSpeed has sufficient technical resources and abilities to provide the Service for which it has applied for a

Certificate.

6. LightSpeed has sufficient managerial resources and abilities to provide the Service for which it has applied for a Certificate.
7. LightSpeed has a secure and sufficient source of funding for its Utah operations that will enable it to meet projected capital and operating expenses and to implement its business plans.
8. LightSpeed has sufficient financial resources and abilities to provide the Service for which it has applied for a Certificate.
9. In its provision of intrastate Service, LightSpeed will be subject to competition from Qwest and other certified CLECs.
10. LightSpeed's Service offerings will provide customers with a wider range of choices in meeting their telecommunications needs and will support the development of competition.
11. The issuance of a Certificate to LightSpeed to provide Service is in the public interest.
12. The reporting requirements in Exhibit B attached hereto are in the public interest and should be binding upon LightSpeed until modified by the Commission.
13. LightSpeed has applied for exemptions from the requirements of various procedures of the Utah Code and the Commission's Rules and Regulations.
14. The grant of exemptions from the provisions of the Utah Code and the Commission's Rules and Regulations, as set forth in Exhibit B, is in the public interest.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Converting this matter to an informal proceeding pursuant to Utah Code Ann. § 63-46b-4(3) is in the public interest.
2. LightSpeed satisfies each of the statutory requirements of the Utah Telecom Act for issuance of a certificate as a telecommunications corporation.
3. LightSpeed satisfies each of the statutory requirements of the Utah Telecom Act for authorization to provide the Service for which it seeks a Certificate.
4. The issuance of a Certificate to LightSpeed to provide the Service for which it has applied is in accord with the legislative policy declarations set forth in the Utah Telecom Act.

#### ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that:

1. The action captioned above is converted to an informal proceeding pursuant to Utah Code Ann. § 63-46b-4(3).
  - LightSpeed is issued the Certificate attached as Exhibit A to this Report and Order.
  - LightSpeed shall provide reports to the Commission and to the Division of Public Utilities, Utah Department of Commerce, as set forth in Exhibit B to this Report and Order.
  - LightSpeed is exempt from certain provisions of the Utah Code and the Commission's Rules and Regulations, as set forth in Exhibit B to this Report and Order.
  - Because LightSpeed does not propose to take customer deposits, the Commission's normal performance bond requirement is waived.

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, this 24th day of November, 2000.

/s/ A. Robert Thurman  
Administrative Law Judge

Approved and Confirmed this 24th day of November, 2000, as the Report and Order of the Public Service Commission of Utah.

/s/ Stephen F. Mecham, Chairman

/s/ Constance B. White, Commissioner

/s/ Clark D. Jones, Commissioner

Attest:

/s/ Julie Orchard  
Commission Secretary

EXHIBIT A

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CERTIFICATE

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By The Commission:

The Public Service Commission of Utah, pursuant to Utah Code Ann. §§ 54-8b-1 to -18 hereby issues a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity authorizing DYNAMIC TELCOM ENGINEERING, L.L.C., dba LIGHTSPEED TELECOM ("LightSpeed"), to provide resold and facilities-based interexchange and local exchange service to business and residential customers in the State of Utah, exclusive of areas in which rural independent telecommunications companies operate.

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, this 24th day of November, 2000.

/s/ Stephen F. Mecham, Chairman

/s/ Constance B. White, Commissioner

/s/ Clark D. Jones, Commissioner

Attest:

/s/ Julie Orchard  
Commission Secretary

EXHIBIT B

**I. Annual Report**

DYNAMIC TELCOM ENGINEERING, L.L.C., dba LIGHTSPEED TELECOM, shall file an Annual Report, which shall be subject to a Protective Order issued by the Commission, on or before March 31 of each year, unless said grantee requests and obtains an extension. The Annual Report shall contain the following:

**A. Annual Revenues** from operations attributable to the State of Utah by major service categories. Such information would be provided on a "Total Utah" and "Utah Intrastate" basis. "Total Utah" will consist of the total of interstate and intrastate revenues. "Utah Intrastate" will reflect only revenues derived from intrastate tariffs, price lists, or contracts. Both Total Utah and Intrastate Utah revenues shall be reported according to at least the following classes of service:

- (1) private line and special access,
- (2) business local exchange,
- (3) residential local exchange,
- (4) measured interexchange, and
- (5) vertical services.

Business local exchange, residential local exchange and vertical service revenue will be reported by geographic area, to the extent feasible.

**B. Annual Expenses and Estimated Taxes** attributed to operations in the State of Utah.

**C. Year End Balances by Account for Property, Plant, Equipment, Annual Depreciation, and Accumulated Depreciation** for telecommunications investment in Utah. The Actual Depreciation Rates which were applied in developing annual and accumulated depreciation figures shall also be shown.

**D. Financial Statements** maintained in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the ordinary course of business. These financial statements shall at a minimum include an income statement, balance sheet and statement of cash flows.

**E. List of Services** offered to customers and the geographic areas in which those services are offered. This list shall be current and shall be updated whenever a new service is offered or a new area is served.

**F. Number of Access Lines in Service** by geographic area, segregated between business and residential customers.

**G. Number of Messages and Minutes of Services** for measured services billed to end users.

**H. List of Officers and Responsible Contact Personnel** updated annually.

**I. Chart of Accounts.** In addition to the foregoing, said grantee will provide its chart of accounts as existing and updated (no less than annually). Said Grantee will also work with the Division in good faith to develop a method of estimating intrastate expenses and investments.

**II. Applicable Statutory Provisions and Exemptions from Statutes and Waiver of Regulations.**

DYNAMIC TELCOM ENGINEERING, L.L.C., dba LIGHTSPEED TELECOM, shall be exempted from the following statutory provisions and regulations:

A. Exemptions from Title 54

54-3-8, 54-3-19 -- Prohibitions of discrimination

54-7-12 -- Rate increases or decreases

54-4-21 -- Establishment of property values

54-4-24 -- Depreciation rates

54-4-26 -- Approval of expenditures

B. Waivers of Regulations

R746-340-2(D) -- Uniform System of Accounts (47 C.F.R. 32)

R746-340-2(E)(1) -- Tariff filings required

R746-340-2(E)(2) -- Exchange Maps

R746-341 -- Lifeline<sup>(1)</sup>

R746-344 -- Rate case filing requirements

R746-401 -- Reporting of construction, acquisition and disposition of assets

R746-405 -- Tariff formats

R746-600 -- Accounting for post-retirement benefits

**III. Obligations with Respect to Provision of Services.**

To the extent Applicant functions as a non-facilities based reseller of local exchange telecommunication service, DYNAMIC TELCOM ENGINEERING, L.L.C., dba LIGHTSPEED TELECOM, agrees to provide service within specified geographic areas upon reasonable request and subject to the following conditions:

A. DYNAMIC TELCOM ENGINEERING, L.L.C., dba LIGHTSPEED TELECOM's obligation to furnish service to customers is dependent upon the availability of suitable facilities on the networks of its underlying carriers (e.g., Qwest Corporation). DYNAMIC TELCOM ENGINEERING, L.L.C., dba LIGHTSPEED TELECOM, will provide a map identifying the areas within the state of Utah where it is offering service through resale. The map will be updated no less frequently than annually.

B. DYNAMIC TELCOM ENGINEERING, L.L.C., dba LIGHTSPEED TELECOM, will only be responsible for the operation and maintenance of services that it provides.

**IV. Modification**

It is anticipated that to the extent such requirements impact competitive entry or impact effective competition that they will be subject to the rulemaking requirements of the Utah Code Ann. § 54-8b-2.2 and that the provisions set forth herein shall be superseded by any such rule adopted by the Commission.

1. <sup>1</sup> This regulation would be waived only until the Commission establishes Lifeline rules that may include DYNAMIC TELCOM ENGINEERING, L.L.C., dba LIGHTSPEED TELECOM, or until it begins to provide residential local exchange service.