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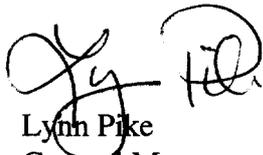
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October 6, 1997

RE: Rural Task Force (RTF) Category 1 Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC)
Nomination

Secretary of the Federal Communications Commission
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To the Secretary:

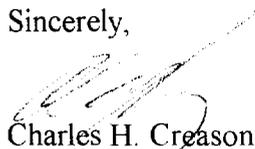
As President and General Manager of Project Mutual Telephone Cooperative I nominate Mr. Clint Frederick, CPA, of Frederick & Warinner, LLC for the ILEC Category 1 position of the Rural Task Force.

Project Mutual Telephone serves 8,000 access lines in rural southern Idaho. Project Mutual Telephone has annual gross revenues of approximately \$5.2 million.

I became acquainted with Mr. Frederick and his firm in 1996 when we were searching for a firm to assist our cooperative continue as a successful company serving its members in rural Idaho under the revised regulatory environment. He and his firm have demonstrated excellent knowledge, understanding, and competence in telecommunications industry and regulation. Mr. Frederick has served rural telecommunications for 30 years. His experience along with his thorough knowledge, understanding, and competence qualifies him to serve on the Rural Task Force. I am confident his contribution on the Rural Task Force will enable the Rural Task Force to make recommendations to the FCC that will assure rural telephony will continue for our country's success.

Enclosed please find a copy of Mr. Frederick's resume.

Sincerely,


Charles H. Creason, Jr.
President

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Clint Frederick, CPA

Principal

Founder and managing principal, Mr. Frederick's public utility experience began in 1968 while engaged in the sale of Alaska Communications System. With previous firm, partner in charge, regulatory services division, telecommunications industry with ultimate client responsibility for client services, including audit, rate case, cost separation studies, tariff design, tax and management consultation services concerning a variety of issues, i.e., company acquisition, sale of companies, new services feasibility, nonregulated activities, and contract negotiation. Presented testimony and sponsored exhibits in approximately sixty formal regulatory proceedings. Jurisdictions include: Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Texas, Minnesota, Nebraska, Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, Rhode Island, California, South Dakota, Vermont, Federal Court, Interstate Commerce Commission, and Federal Communications Commission.

Business Experience

Frederick & Warinner, L.L.C. (1988 to Present)

Certified Public Accountants

Founder and Managing Principal

Drees Dunn & Company (1983 to 1988)

Partner and Public Utility Consultant

Troupe Kehoe Whiteaker & Kent (1967 to 1983)

Certified Public Accountants

Partner and Partner in Charge of Telecommunication Industry Services

Sernes Chandler Schupp & Connealy (1965 to 1967)

Certified Public Accountants

Staff Accountant

Education

Kansas State College

Bachelor of Science and Business Administration in Accounting, 1965

Licensed CPA

State of Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, Texas, Louisiana, Minnesota, California, Nebraska, Colorado, and Arizona

Professional Memberships

American Institute of Certified Public Accountants

Missouri Society of Certified Public Accountants

Past Chairman, MSCPA Litigation Services Committee

Founding Board Member and Treasurer, American World War II Orphans Network (A non-profit charitable organization)

Presentations

- "Ready – Set – Go" , TANE, 1997
- "Competition in the Local Loop", SITA, 1994
- "Operator Services", SITA, 1992
- "Keeping It In The Family", OPASTCO, 1991
- "Keeping It In The Family", NTCA, 1990
- "Keeping It In The Family", Kansas Telco's, 1990.
- "The New Part 32 USOA - Is It So Bad?", Western Rural Telephone Association, 1987.
- "Profit Is Not a Four Letter Word", OPASTCO, January 1986.
- "Federal Access Charges", Alaska Telephone Association, January 1984.
- "Federal Access Charges", Association of Minnesota Utility Companies, April 1983.
- "State Access Charges", Western Rural Telephone Association, August 1983.
- "The Joint Board Proceeding", SITA, 1983.
- "Creation of FCC Docket 80-286", OPASTCO, June 1980.
- "Point - Counterpoint", Address on Local Rate Design, SITA, 1979.
- "Effect of New Average Toll Schedules", SITA, 1978.

Publications

"A Plan To Replace the Subscriber Plant Factor in Telephone Cost Separations", Public Utilities Fortnightly, October 1982.

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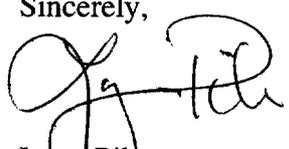
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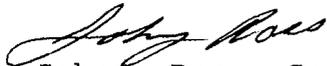
As General Manager of the Walnut Hill Telephone I would like to place in nomination for ILEC Category 1 Clint Frederick, CPA of Frederick & Warinner, LLC.

Walnut Hill Telephone Company serves 5000 access lines in Southwest Arkansas. Walnut Hill Telephone Company has annual revenues of approximately 9.2 million.

Walnut Hill Telephone Company has used Clint Frederick as a cost consultant Accountant since the purchase of our company in 1982. Mr. Frederick through his expertise has maximized our revenue stream and in doing so he has kept the cost down to our consumer. Clint has filed local exchange tariffs and FCC tariffs for our company, Clint has also testified before the State Public Service Commission in our behalf. I know of no one who would have knowledge in Rural Telephone Company's like Mr. Frederick, so therefore I would highly recommend Clint Frederick for the Rural Telephone Company's of America.

Please find his resume' enclosed, I believe his experience and understanding of rural telephony will be an invaluable contribution to the RTF.

Sincerely,
Walnut Hill Telephone Company



Johnny Ross, General Manager

Enclosure: Clint Frederick CPA Resume'
Copies to: Service List Attached

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Clint Frederick, CPA

Principal

Founder and managing principal, Mr. Frederick's public utility experience began in 1968 while engaged in the sale of Alaska Communications System. With previous firm, partner in charge, regulatory services division, telecommunications industry with ultimate client responsibility for client services, including audit, rate case, cost separation studies, tariff design, tax and management consultation services concerning a variety of issues, i.e., company acquisition, sale of companies, new services feasibility, nonregulated activities, and contract negotiation. Presented testimony and sponsored exhibits in approximately sixty formal regulatory proceedings. Jurisdictions include: Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Texas, Minnesota, Nebraska, Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, Rhode Island, California, South Dakota, Vermont, Federal Court, Interstate Commerce Commission, and Federal Communications Commission.

Business Experience

Frederick & Warinner, L.L.C. (1988 to Present)

Certified Public Accountants
Founder and Managing Principal

Drees Dunn & Company (1983 to 1988)

Partner and Public Utility Consultant

Troupe Kehoe Whiteaker & Kent (1967 to 1983)

Certified Public Accountants
Partner and Partner in Charge of Telecommunication Industry Services

Sernes Chandler Schupp & Connealy (1965 to 1967)

Certified Public Accountants
Staff Accountant

Education

Kansas State College

Bachelor of Science and Business Administration in Accounting, 1965

Licensed CPA

State of Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, Texas, Louisiana, Minnesota, California, Nebraska, Colorado, and Arizona

Professional Memberships

American Institute of Certified Public Accountants

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Presentations

- "Ready – Set – Go", TANE, 1997
- "Competition in the Local Loop", SITA, 1994
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- "Point - Counterpoint", Address on Local Rate Design, SITA, 1979.
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Publications

"A Plan To Replace the Subscriber Plant Factor in Telephone Cost Separations", Public Utilities Fortnightly, October 1982.

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