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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
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**RE: Westgate Communications LLC d/b/a WeavTel (WC Docket No. 05-58)**

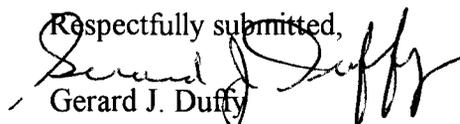
Dear Ms. Dortch:

On August 18, 2004, Westgate Communications LLC d/b/a WeavTel ("WeavTel") requested waiver of Sections 69.2(hh) and 69.601 of the Rules so that it can become a member of the National Exchange Carrier Association ("NECA") and participate in NECA tariffs and pools. Waiver of Section 69.2(hh) will allow WeavTel to be classified as a "telephone company" and a "local exchange carrier" as those terms are used in Part 69. Pursuant to the express language of Section 69.2(hh), this will allow WeavTel to be an "incumbent local exchange carrier" as defined in Section 251(h) of the Communications Act, as amended. Waiver of Section 69.601 will allow WeavTel, as a "telephone company," to become a member of NECA, and participate in NECA's tariffs and pools.

WeavTel has previously been designated as an eligible telecommunications carrier ("ETC") by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission ("WUTC"). WeavTel will seek support from federal universal service mechanisms at the appropriate times and via the appropriate procedures.

In addition to the foregoing waivers, WeavTel hereby requests waiver of any and all other relevant sections of Parts 54 and 36 of the Rules, to the extent necessary, in order to be treated as an "incumbent local exchange carrier" for the purposes of imposing access charges and receiving federal universal service support. Finally, WeavTel requests waiver of any Part 54 certification or data filing deadlines (e.g., those in Sections 54.301(b), 54.314(d) and 54.903(a) of the Rules) that would prevent it from beginning to receive high cost loop, local switching or interstate common line support on the date on which it would otherwise be entitled to receive such support.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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