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September 13, 2023

Via Electronic Mail and First Class Mail

Luly E. Massaro Commission Clerk Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission 89 Jefferson Boulevard Warwick, RI 02888

RE: AFNET, LLC Application for Authority as a Class VI Telecommunications Service Provider

Dear Ms. Massaro:

On behalf of AFNET, LLC, enclosed for filing with the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") please find an original and three (3) copies of the above-referenced Application and a check in the amount of \$300.00 made payable to the State of Rhode Island.

Please note that Exhibit 2, AFNET's financial statements, is provided in a separate sealed envelope marked: "CONTAINS CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – DO NOT RELEASE". The information in Exhibit 2 is confidential commercial and financial information that is not available to the public and is to be filed under seal pursuant to Rule 1.3(H) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure and R.I. Gen. Laws § 38-2-2(4)(B), which exempts a company's confidential commercial and financial information from the Public Records Act. Based on the foregoing, please handle Exhibit 2 in accordance with the Commission's established procedures for confidential material.

Kindly date-stamp the extra copy of this cover letter and return in the return addressed envelope. Should you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

Detra McHuin Mercer

Debra McGuire Mercer

Counsel to AFNET, LLC

Enclosures

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

AFNET, LLC APPLICATION FOR AUTHORITY AS A CLASS VI TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE PROVIDER

STATEMENT OF BUSINESS OPERATIONS

1. Statement of Business Operations

a. What is the Registrant's corporate name, complete address, telephone number, and email address?

AFNET, LLC 5705 Commerce Blvd., Suite 100 Alpharetta, GA 30004 compliance@afnetconnect.com (404) 433-5999

b. What is the Registrant's local Company name, complete address, telephone/fax numbers, and e-mail address?

AFNET, LLC does not have a local company address.

c. What are the Registrant's business locations?

AFNET, LLC 5705 Commerce Blvd., Suite 100 Alpharetta, GA 30004 www.afnetconnect.com

d. What is the Registrant's service agent?

Corporation Service Company 222 Jefferson Boulevard Suite 200 Warwick, RI 02888

e. Who is the Registrant's attorney of record, including complete address, telephone number, and e-mail address?

Debra McGuire Mercer Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP 101 Constitution Ave., NW Suite 900 Washington, DC 20001 debra.mercer@nelsonmullins.com (202) 689-2949

f. Who are the Registrant's corporate officers and major stockholders or partners holding a ten percent or greater equity interest?

Officers Tim Yeager

<u>10% or Greater Shareholders</u> None

g. Provide a general description of Registrant's operations:

Registrant is a provider of commercial mobile radio service ("CMRS") throughout the United States. Registrant has not been denied authority for any of the services for which it seeks authority in this Application. Registrant obtains from underlying carriers, such as T-Mobile, the network infrastructure and wireless transmission facilities to allow Registrant to provide prepaid wireless telecommunications services to end-users.

h. Provide a description of Registrant's Customer Service Organization:

Registrant's customer service department may be contacted nationwide for questions, requests for service, complaints and trouble handling via a toll-free number, (888) 309-2739 or via email at contact@afnet.com. The Customer Service Department is located at 5705 Commerce Blvd., Suite 100, Alpharetta, GA 30004.

Office Hours: Customer Service Representatives will be available 7:00 AM to 12:00 AM Eastern Standard Time seven days a week. After hours, Customers who want to receive a call back from the Company may record a message.

Complaint Procedures: The Customer shall pose any inquiries or disputes directly to the Company for resolution. Written communications should be directed to the Company's Customer Service department. The Company will investigate a Customer inquiry or dispute and report the findings to the Customer. If the Customer is not satisfied with the Company's resolution of an inquiry or dispute, the Customer may refer the matter to the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission for final determination.

i. Who is the Registrant's Customer Service Contact, including complete address, telephone number, and e-mail address?

Gordon Simonson 5705 Commerce Blvd., Suite 100 Alpharetta, GA 30004 gordon@afnetconnect.com (888) 309-2739

j. Who is the Registrant's Regulatory Contact, including complete address, telephone number, and e-mail address?

Tim Yeager 5705 Commerce Blvd., Suite 100 Alpharetta, GA 30004 <u>compliance@afnetconnect.com</u> (404) 433-5999

k. What is the Registrant's Company web site URL, if applicable?

www.afnet.com

Please note the following:

- 1. Registrant's evidence of authorization from the Rhode Island Secretary of State is attached as Exhibit 1.
- Registrant's CONFIDENTIAL financial information is provided as Exhibit 2. As noted in the letter accompanying this Application, Exhibit 2 is marked "CONTAINS CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – DO NOT RELEASE" on each page and is being submitted to the Commission in a separate sealed envelope.
- 3. Registrant's informational tariff will be submitted 30 days before commencing operations in the State of Rhode Island.

AFNET, LLC

Rhode Island Authorization from the Secretary of State

Exhibit 1

| | State of Rhode Island Office of the Secretary of State | Fee: \$150.00 | | |
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| 1636 | Division Of Business Services 148 W. River Street Providence RI 02904-2615 (401) 222-3040 | | | |
| Foreign Limited Liability Company Application for Registration (Section 7-16-49 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as amended) | | | | |
| ARTICLE I | | | | |
| The name of the limited liability company is: AFNET, LLC | | | | |
| Enter your name exactly as it appears in your state. If your name includes an entity ending other than LLC or Limited Liability Company, complete Article II. The elected name in RI must include the entity ending LLC or Limited Liability Company. Check if this company is organized in its state or country of formation as a low-profit limited liability company. | | | | |
| ARTICLE II | | | | |
| The name, if different, under which it proposes to register and transact business in Rhode Island is: | | | | |
| ARTICLE III | | | | |
| The Limited Liability C | Company is organized under the laws of: State: <u>GA</u> Cou | intry: <u>USA</u> | | |
| The date this Application for Registration is to become effective, not prior to, nor more than 90 days after the filing of this Application for Registration. | | | | |
| Later Effective Date: | | | | |
| ARTICLE IV | | | | |
| The date of its organization is: $1/27/2022$ | | | | |
| ARTICLE V | | | | |
| The period of its duration is: X Perpetual | | | | |
| ARTICLE VI | | | | |
| The address (post office box not acceptable) of the limited liability company's resident agent in Rhode Island: | | | | |
| No. and Street: <u>222 JEFFERSON BLVD. SUITE 200</u> | | | | |

Article VII

The purpose or purposes which it proposes to pursue in the transaction of business in Rhode Island are:

BROADBAND SERVICES

ARTICLE VIII

The Rhode Island Department of State is appointed the agent of the foreign limited liability company for service of process if, at any time, there is no resident agent or if the resident agent cannot be found or served following the exercise of reasonable diligence.

ARTICLE IX

The address of the office required to be maintained in the state or other jurisdiction under the laws of which the limited liability company is organized:

No. and Street: 5705 COMMERCE BLVD., SUITE 100

City or Town: <u>ALPHARETTA</u>

State: <u>GA</u> Zip: <u>30004</u> Country: <u>USA</u>

ARTICLE X

The mailing address for the limited liability company is:

No. and Street: 5705 COMMERCE BLVD., SUITE 100

City or Town: <u>ALPHARETTA</u>

State: GA Zip: 30004 Country: USA

ARTICLE XI

The limited liability company is to be managed by its ____ Members or ____ Managers (check one)

The name and address of each manager (If LLC is managed by Members, DO NOT complete this section):

| Title | Individual Name First, Middle, Last, Suffix | Address Address, City or Town, State, Zip Code, Country | |
|---------|--|--|--|
| MANAGER | JOSEPH M. NAPOLI | 5705 COMMERCE BLVD., SUITE 100 ALPHARETTA, GA 30004 USA | |

This electronic signature of the individual or individuals signing this instrument constitutes the affirmation or acknowledgement of the signatory, under penalties of perjury, that this instrument is that individual's act and deed or the act and deed of the company, and that the facts stated herein are true, as of the date of the electronic filing, in compliance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 7-16.

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| Division Of Business Services | | | | |
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| X Check if this company is organized in its state or country of formation as a low-profit limited liability company. | | | | |
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| Title | Individual Name First, Middle, Last, Suffix | Address Address, City or Town, State, Zip Code, Country | |
|---------|--|--|--|
| MANAGER | JOSEPH M. NAPOLI | 5705 COMMERCE BLVD., SUITE 100 ALPHARETTA, GA 30004 USA | |

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STATE OF GEORGIA

Secretary of State Corporations Division 313 West Tower 2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Dr. Atlanta, Georgia 30334-1530

CERTIFICATE OF EXISTENCE

I, Brad Raffensperger, the Secretary of State of the State of Georgia, do hereby certify under the seal of my office that

AFNET, LLC

a Domestic Limited Liability Company

was formed in the jurisdiction stated below or was authorized to transact business in Georgia on the below date. Said entity is in compliance with the applicable filing and annual registration provisions of Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated and has not filed articles of dissolution, certificate of cancellation or any other similar document with the office of the Secretary of State.

This certificate relates only to the legal existence of the above-named entity as of the date issued. It does not certify whether or not a notice of intent to dissolve, an application for withdrawal, a statement of commencement of winding up or any other similar document has been filed or is pending with the Secretary of State.

This certificate is issued pursuant to Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated and is prima-facie evidence that said entity is in existence or is authorized to transact business in this state.

Docket Number: 24756511Date Inc/Auth/Filed:01/27/2022Jurisdiction: GeorgiaPrint Date: 03/14/2023Form Number: 211

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Brad Raffensperger Secretary of State



State of Rhode Island Department of State | Office of the Secretary of State Gregg M. Amore, Secretary of State

I, GREGG M. AMORE, Secretary of State of the State of Rhode Island,

hereby certify that this document, duly executed in accordance with the provisions

of Title 7 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, as amended, has been filed in this

office on this day:

March 14, 2023 01:53 PM

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Gregg M. Amore Secretary of State



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AFNET, LLC

Financial Information

Exhibit 2

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The 2023 financial statements (current as of September 7, 2023) of AFNET, LLC are provided in a separate sealed envelope marked as CONFIDENTIAL.