# TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY RECENT



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August 12, 2008

Lance J.M. Steinhart, P.C. 1720 Windward Concourse Suite 115
Alpharetta, Georgia 30005

## VIA CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED 70042510000637676365

RE: Docket No. 08-00141, Application of Swiftel, LLC for Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Competing Local Exchange Telecommunications Services in Tennessee

#### Dear Mr. Steinhart:

CLEC applicants are required, by statute, to demonstrate their managerial, financial and technical abilities to provide the services for which they seek authority. To assist the Authority in its review of Swiftel, LLC's application for Certificate of Convenience and Necessity to provide competing local exchange and long distance telecommunications services in Tennessee, you are requested to provide the following information:

- 1) The Tennessee Telecommunications Service Provider's Surety Bond, which was included with the application, was not signed on page 2. Please provide a notarized signature on page 2 of the instrument. The original bond is attached.
- Provide further details regarding the day-to-day duties and responsibilities, specific to Tennessee operations, of the principal officers listed in Exhibit D. Will there be support staff? If so, provide information regarding the duties and responsibilities of those individuals in regard to Tennessee operations.
- 3) How will Swiftel, LLC fund its Tennessee operations? Provide proof of funding sources, including any amounts that have been or will be contributed by the principal officers.
- 4) Provide a 3 year capital expenditures forecast for Swiftel, LLC's Tennessee operations.
- 5) Provide Swiftel, LLC's projected financials for 2008 through 2010.

- 6) The pre-filed testimony indicates the company intends to market its services "via direct sales." Will the company engage in telemarketing? If so, how will the company ensure compliance with Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-405?
- 7) How does Swiftel, LLC intend to comply with Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-21-114?

Please provide the above information by August 26, 2008. In accordance with TRA Rules, please submit either (1) thirteen written copies of your response or (2) four written copies and an electronic version and reference docket number 08-00141 on the correspondence. If you have questions concerning this request or need additional information, please contact Lisa Foust at 615-741-2904 extension 220.

Sincerely,

Dan Fort Fr Daviere Standier
Darlene Standley

Utilities Division Chief

### TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

#### TENNESSEE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE PROVIDER'S SURETY BOND

Bond #: FS2716926	
WHEREAS, SWIFTEL, LLC.	(the "Principal"), has
	rity to provide telecommunications services in the State of Tennessee; and
required to file this bond in order to obtain such authorit	, Section 125(j) of the Tennessee Code Annotated, as amended, the Principal is y and to secure the payment of any monetary sanction imposed in any enforcement e Annotated or the Consumer Telemarketing Act of 1990 by or on behalf of the
WHEREAS, GREAT AMERICAN INSURANCE	E COMPANY
Insurance to engage in the surety business in this state p	the State of Tennessee and duly authorized by the Tennessee Commissioner of pursuant to Title 56, Chapter 2 of the Tennessee Code Annotated, has agreed to with the provisions of Title 65, Chapter 4, Section 125(j) of the Tennessee Code
accordance with the provisions of Tennessee Code Anno dollars (\$20,000.00) lawful money of the United States o imposed against the Principal, its representatives, succ Tennessee Code Annotated or the Consumer Telemark ourselves, our representatives, successors and assigns, e	pal and the Surety are held and firmly bound to the STATE OF TENNESSEE, in tated, Title 65, Chapter 4, Section 125(j), in the full amount of twenty thousand f America to be used for the full and prompt payment of any monetary sanction essors or assigns, in any enforcement proceeding brought under Title 65 of eting Act of 1990, by or on behalf of the TRA, for which obligation we bind each jointly and severally, firmly and unequivocally by these presents.
annual renewal period or portion thereof shall constitute a rathe liability of the Surety shall not be cumulative, and the bond shall not exceed Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.	by of <u>JULY</u> , 2008 and shall be continuous; provided, however, that each new bond term. Regardless of the number of years this bond may remain in force, aggregate liability of the Surety for any and all claims, suits or actions under this 00). The Surety may cancel this bond by giving thirty (30) days written notice of iail, it being understood that the Surety shall not be relieved of liability that may action.
PRINCIPAL	SURETY
SWIFTEL, LLC.	GREAT AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY
Name of Company authorized by the TRA	Name of Surety
	580 WALNUT STREET CINCINNATI, OH 45202
Company ID # as assigned by TRA	Address of Surety
SIGNATURE OF PRINCIPAL	SIGNATURE OF SURETY AGENT
he hator	Valeur Aber
Name: Angre Watson	Name: VALERIE ABER
Title: President	Title: ATTORNEY-IN-FACT
	Address of Surety Agent: 2424 W. MISSOURI AVE
	PHOENIX. ARIZONA 85015

THIS BOND IS ISSUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 125, CHAPTER 4, TITLE 65 OF THE TENNESSEE CODE ANNOTATED AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER NO. 586, 2000 PUBLIC ACTS. SHOULD THERE BE ANY CONFLICT WITH THE TERMS HEREOF AND THE STATUTE OR REGULATIONS PROMULGATED THEREUNDER, THE STATUTE OR REGULATIONS SHALL PREVAIL. (POWER OF ATTORNEY FROM AN APPROVED INSURANCE COMPANY MUST BE ATTACHED.)

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PRINCIPAL

STATE OF	<u> </u>		
Before me, a Notary Public of the Starwith whom I am personally acquainted and who bond on behalf of	o, upon oath, acknowle	edged himself to be the individual w	<b>~</b> •
WITNESS my hand and seal this	day of	, 20	
My Commission Expires:			
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		Notary Public	
ACKNOW	LEDGMENT OF SU	RETY	
STATE OF ARIZONA			
COUNTY OF MARICOPA			
foregoing bond on behalf of Great American Insu State of Tennessee and duly authorized by the Tennesse pursuant to Title 56, Chapter 2 of the Tenness executed the foregoing bond, by signing the na WITNESS my hand and seal this 10	Tennessee Commission ee Code Annotated, a name of the corporation	oner of Insurance to engage in the su and that he as such an individual be n by himself and as such individual.	arety business in this state eing authorized to do so,
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My Commission Expires:  March 16, 2012   OFFICIAL SEA DALE BOEL NOTARY PUBLIC - State of MARICOPA COUN My Comm. Expires March  APPROVA	LE of Arizona ITY	Notary Public	
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This is to certify that I have examined the fore sureties on the same are good and worth the pauthority, State of Tennessee, this	enalty thereof, and t	hat the same has been filed with the	
	Name:		
	Title <sup>.</sup>		

#### GREAT AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY®

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The number of persons authorized by this power of attorney is not more than FIVE

No. 0 18415-B

#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That the GREAT AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY, a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Ohio, does hereby nominate, constitute and appoint the person or persons named below its true and lawful attorney-infact, for it and in its name, place and stead to execute in behalf of the said Company, as surety, any and all bonds, undertakings and contracts of suretyship, or other written obligations in the nature thereof; provided that the liability of the said Company on any such bond, undertaking or contract of suretyship executed under this authority shall not exceed the limit stated below.

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WAYNE GUTCHES	Name ANITTA VALDEZ	Address ALL OF	Limit of Power ALL
VALERIE ABER		PHOENIX, ARIZONA	\$10,000,000.
MELANIE DAVIS			
BRIAN CARNEY			
IN WITNESS		21ST day of	e presents to be signed and attested by its appropriate
On this being duly sworn, depose Insurance Company, the	es and says that he resides in Cincinn Company described in and which exe	ati. Ohio, that he is the Divisional Senior Vic cuted the above instrument: that he knows the	DAVID C. KITCHIN (513-412-4602)  Ily appeared DAVID C. KITCHIN, to me known e President of the Bond Division of Great American seal of the said Company; that the seal affixed to the f said Company, and that he signed his name thereto
	Attorney is granted by authority of the Attorney is March 1, 1993.	ne following resolutions adopted by the Board	of Directors of Great American Insurance Company
Presidents, or any one of as surety, any and all bon	them, be and hereby is authorized, j	from time to time, to appoint one or more Atto retyship, or other written obligations in the no	visional Vice Presidents and Divisonal Assistant Vice orneys-in-Fact to execute on behalf of the Company ature thereof; to prescribe their respective duties and
Company may be affixed or other written obligation	by facsimile to any power of attorne in the nature thereof, such signatu	y or certificate of either given for the executi	cers and any Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the on of any bond, undertaking, contract or suretyship ed by the Company as the original signature of such re and effect as though manually affixed.

CERTIFICATION

day of July 2008

Resolutions of the Board of Directors of March 1, 1993 have not been revoked and are now in full force and effect.

I, RONALD C. HAYES. Assistant Secretary of Great American Insurance Company, do hereby certify that the foregoing Power of Attorney and the

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Signed and sealed this /O