#### TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

460 JAMES ROBERTSON PARKWAY NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37243-0505

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DAVID WADDELL, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Company ID: 00125161 Providian Group, Inc. 10175 Slater Ave. Suite 200 Fountain Valley, CA 92708

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY
Nashville, Tennessee February 11, 1997

IN RE: CASE NUMBER: 96-01736

Application for Authority to Provide Operator Services and/or Resell Telecommunications Services in Tennessee Pursuant to Rule 1220-4-2-.57.

--ORDER--

This matter is before the Tennessee Regulatory Authority upon the application of the above-mentioned company for certification as a reseller or telecommunication operator service provider in Tennessee. The TRA considered this application at a Conference held on February 4, 1997 and concluded that the applicant has met all the requirements for certification and should be authorized to provide operator services and/or resell telecommunications services on an intrastate basis.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- That the above-mentioned company is issued a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity as an operator service provider and/or reseller of telecommunications services for state-wide service in Tennessee as specified in its application on file with the Authority.
- 2. That said company shall comply with all applicable state laws and TRA rules and regulations.
- 3. That this order shall be retained as proof of certification with this Authority, and may be used to obtain appropriately tariffed service and billing arrangements from Authority authorized telecommunications service providers.

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ATTEST:

Executive Secretary

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#### TENNESSEE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

460 JAMES ROBERTSON PARKWAY NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37243-0505

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PAUL ALLEN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

# APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE TO PROVIDE OPERATOR SERVICES AND/OR RESELL INTEREXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES IN TENNESSEE [RULE 1220-4-2-.57]

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	State <u>CA</u> Zip C	ode 92708	_Phone No. (	888) <u>77</u>	6 - 8427			
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Н.	List any states that you have been denied authority to provide service.  None.
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l.	Areas in Tennessee to be served.  The entire state.
J.	What type of customers will the company serve?  a. Businessx  b. Residential ×  c. Aggregators (e.g. Hotels, Payphones)  d. Other (specify)
K.	Do you allow a property imposed fee (PIF) to be added to the price of intrastate telephone calls over your network? If yes, specify amount. No
L.	Are your prices for intrastate services plus any PIF equal to or less than the dominant carriers price for similar services? Yes_xNo
М.	Describe the type of services and price that the applicant will be offering in Tennessee on the Informational Tariff Form found in Appendix II1.
N.	What is the applicant's 10XXX or 800 access code?
	Does the applicant now have or plan to have any telecommunication's facilities (e.g. switches, fiber lines) in Tennessee?No
₽.	What facility-based network will the applicant be reselling?
Q.	Will the applicant be utilizing the local telephone company's billing system or billing customers direct <sup>2</sup> ? Applicant will bill customers direct using AT&T Bill
	Manager Service.  Describe briefly how the applicant plans to market their services in Tennessee? If an independent telemarketer is going to be used, state company name and address.  Applicant will market its services in Tennessee through its sales department. Applicant will not open a sales office in this state.
3.	Describe the procedures the applicant will use to switch a consumer's preferred interexchange service. All customers are required to execute a letter authorizing Applicant to switch their service.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Applicant is required to fill out an Informational Tariff form. Failure to fill out this form will cause the applicant's request to be rejected.

<sup>2</sup>A copy of a bill is required if the applicant is going to bill the customer direct.

т.	Applicant has the ability and agrees to honor the form of call blocking that the consumer has subscribed to with their local telephone company. Yes x No
Û.	Applicant gives permission to the local telephone company to provide the Commission a periodic sample of the reseller's intrastate toll calls. The purpose of this analysis is to audit the reseller's rates to assure they are at or below the dominant carrier's tariffed rates. Yesx_ No
<u>Par</u>	t II: Organization Structure
A.	Type of Organization
_	IndividualCorporation
	Partnership x Other (Explain on separate sheet) Limited Liability Company
B.	If partnership and/or Non-resident (1) Attach a copy of Articles of Incorporation and current by-laws. (2) Attach a copy of Certification of Authority issued by Tennessee Secretary of State showing corporation's authority to engage in business in Tennessee.
Par	t III: Financial Information
A.	Attach a current financial statement showing in detail the applicant's financial condition,

A. Attach a current financial statement showing in detail the applicant's financial condition including balance sheet and income statement, or a copy of IRS form 1120 or 1065 filed by your business for the previous year. Attach, if available, a copy of your company's 10K and/or stockholder reports.

#### Part IV: Display Card

Attach a copy of the display card to be placed on the aggregators telephone which shows what operator services are to be provided. The card must contain all required information listed in the attached Rule (1220-4-2-.57, B)<sup>3</sup>, which includes a toll-free number consumers can call for service problems and refunds.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>It is the responsibility of the reseller or operator service provider to assure that the appropriate display card is affixed to the aggregates telephones.

#### Part V: Rule Compliance Agreement

- A. The Interexchange Reseller or Operator Service Provider applicant, hereby, affirms the following:
- Has received, read, and understands the Tennessee Public Service Commission's (TPSC)
   Interexchange Reseller Rules and Regulations, (Appendix III)
- Understands the penalties for non-compliance, and all associated fees to provide such service.
- Will comply with the TPSC Interexchange Reseller Rules and all other applicable Commission Rules and state laws, including T.C.A. Section 65-5-206 (Appendix IV),
- That all information provided in the attached registration document is true to the best of my knowledge.

Providing Group, LLC 11/13/96

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Ompany Official Title

Subscribed and swom before me this 13th day of Nov. 1996

Notary Public

SUSAN D. ASHLEY
Commission #1073030
Notary Public — California
Orange County
My Comm. Expires Oct 27, 1999

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#### LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

Tariff

Articles of Organization

Operating Agreement

Certificate of Authority from Secretary of State

Current Financial Statement

Sample Invoice

Secretary of State Corporations Section James K. Polk Building, Suite 1800 Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0306

DATE: 01/06/97 REQUEST NUMBER: 3263-1174 TELEPHONE CONTACT: (615) 741-0537 FILE DATE/TIME: 01/02/97 1255 EFFECTIVE DATE/TIME: 01/02/97 1255 CONTROL NUMBER: 0323261

STEINHART, ATTY.

RE: PROVIDIAN GROUP, L.L.C. APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY -LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

WELCOME TO THE STATE OF TENNESSEE. THE ATTACHED LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY HAS BEEN FILED WITH AN EFFECTIVE DATE AS INDICATED ABOVE.

A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ANNUAL REPORT MUST BE FILED WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE ON OR BEFORE THE FIRST DAY OF THE FOURTH MONTH FOLLOWING THE CLOSE OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY'S FISCAL YEAR. ONCE THE FISCAL YEAR HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED, PLEASE PROVIDE THIS OFFICE WITH WRITTEN NOTIFICATION. THIS OFFICE WILL MAIL THE REPORT DURING THE LAST MONTH OF SAID FISCAL YEAR TO THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY AT THE ADDRESS OF ITS PRINCIPAL OFFICE OR TO A MAILING ADDRESS PROVIDED TO THIS OFFICE IN WRITING. FAILURE TO FILE THIS REPORT OR TO MAINTAIN A REGISTERED AGENT AND OFFICE WILL SUBJECT THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY TO ADMINISTRATIVE REVOCATION OF ITS CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY.

WHEN CORRESPONDING WITH THIS OFFICE OR SUBMITTING DOCUMENTS FOR FILING, PLEASE REFER TO THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY CONTROL NUMBER GIVEN ABOVE.

FOR: APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY - LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

ON DATE: 01/03/97

RECEIVED:

\$300.00

\$0.00

TOTAL PAYMENT RECEIVED:

\$300.00

FROM:
PROVIDIAN GROUP, L.L.C.
SUITE 200
10175 SLATER AVE
FOUNTAIN VLY., CA 92708-0000

RECEIPT NUMBER: 00002046870 ACCOUNT NUMBER: 00250867

RILEY C. DARNELL SECRETARY OF STATE

## State of Tennessee

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Corporation Section

18th Floor, James K. Polk Building
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### APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

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Nashville, TN 37243-0306	1							
APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY FO Providian Group, L.L.C.	R:							
To the Secretary of State of the State of Tennessee:								
Pursuant to the provisions of § 48A-45-301 of the Tennessee Limited Liability Company Act, the undersigned hereby applies for a certificate of authority to transact business in the State of Tennessee, and for that purpose sets forth:								
The name of the Limited Liability Company is:	Providian Group, L.L.	c						
If different, the name under which the certificate of a	uthority is to be obtained is:							
NOTE: The Secretary of State of the State of Tennessee may not Issue a certificate of authority to a foreign Limited Liability Company if its name does not comply with the requirements of § 48A-7-101 of the Tennessee Limited Liability Company Act. If obtaining a certificate of authority under an assumed Limited Liability Company name, an application must be filed pursuant to § 48A-7-101(1D).								
2. The state or country under whose law it is formed	ls: California							
3. The date of its organization is: November 19,	1996 (must be	month, day and year)						
4. The complete street address (including zip code)								
10175 Slater Avenue, Suite 200, Fountain Street City/State	Valley, California	92708 Zip Code						
5. The complete street address (Including the county and the zip code) of its registered office in Tennessee:								
530 Gay Street Knoxville,	Tennessee	37902						
Street City/State	County	Zip Code						
The name of its registered agent at that office is:	C T Corporation Syst	em						
6. Please insert the number of members at the date	of filing 4							
NOTE: This application must be accompanied by a certificate of existence (or a document of similar Import) duly authenticated by the Secretary of State or other official having custody of the Limited Liability Company records in the state or country under whose law it is organized. The certificate shall not bear a date of more than two (2) months prior to the date the application is filed in this state.								
Signature Date  CEO  Signer's Capacity	Providian Group Name of Limited Liability Con Signature Name (typed or printed)							

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