

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Joint) Application No. C-3887
Application of Americatel)
Corporation, Miami, Florida, and)
Startec Global Operating) GRANTED
Company, Rockville, Maryland,)
seeking approval of a Pro Forma)
Restructuring.) Entered: January 8, 2008

BY THE COMMISSION:

On November 15, 2007, a joint application was filed by Americatel Corporation, Miami, Florida, and Startec Global Operating Company, Rockville, Maryland, seeking approval of a Pro Forma Restructuring transaction. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on November 19, 2007. No protests were filed; therefore, this application is processed pursuant to the Commission's Rule of Modified Procedure.

O P I N I O N A N D F I N D I N G S

Americatel is a Delaware corporation with its principle office in Miami, Florida. Americatel provides international and domestic facilities-based and resold long distance services, including "dial around" casual calling service and presubscribed 1+ calling services, in the United States. Americatel is authorized to operate as a reseller of interexchange telecommunications services in Nebraska. This Commission provided authorization pursuant to Docket C-1719 (February 18, 1998).

Startec is a Delaware corporation with its principle office in Rockville, Maryland. Startec is a wholly owned subsidiary of Startec Global Communications Corporation (SGCC). Startec provides long distance, Internet, and other communications services in 49 states as well as Canada. Startec holds a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide resold interexchange telecommunications service in Nebraska. This Commission provided authorization pursuant to C-3258 (November 3, 2004) and C-3783 (May 1, 2007).

Pursuant to the pro forma reorganization Startec will be merged with and into Americatel, with Americatel surviving. As a result of the merger, Startec and SGCC will cease to exist and Americatel will become the operating telecommunications service provider in Nebraska, serving all Americatel and Startec customers. There will be no change in the ultimate ownership or control of Americatel, which will remain with Platinum Equity,

the entity that also currently controls Startec. There will be no interruption or change in service to any customer as a result of this reorganization.

Petitioners both currently hold authority to provide resold interexchange service in Nebraska, and hence ask that authority for Startec be canceled.

Based on the evidence, we find the application to be fair and reasonable and in the public interest. The application should be granted.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. C-3887, be, and it is hereby, granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Startec's authority to operate in the State of Nebraska be, and it is hereby, canceled as of March 31, 2008.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 8th day of January, 2008.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director