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March 13, 2006

Pamela Bonrud, Executive Director  
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission  
State Capitol Building  
500 East Capital Avenue  
Pierre, SD 57501

RE: DELTEL, INC.  
Docket No. TC05-115

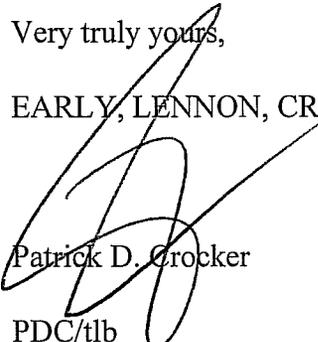
Dear Ms. Bonrud:

In accordance with Staff Member, Bob Knadle's request, attached please find the above captioned corporation's Bond and proof that the Surety Company, American Contractors Indemnity Company, is licensed in South Dakota and is current.

Should you have any questions, please contact me.

Very truly yours,

EARLY, LENNON, CROCKER & BARTOSIEWICZ, P.L.C.

  
Patrick D. Crocker

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INDEMNITY BOND  
To the  
PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

Bond. No. 272748

We, DEL TEL, INC. the principal and applicant for a CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY, telecommunications services within the State of South Dakota, and AMERICAN CONTRACTORS INDEMNITY COMPANY, 9841 Airport Blvd., 9th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90045, as an admitted surety insurer, bind ourselves unto the Public Utilities Commission of the State of South Dakota and the consumers of South Dakota as Obligees, in the sum of \$25,000.00.

The conditions of the obligation are such that the principal, having been granted such CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY subject to the provision that said principal purchase this Indemnity Bond, and if said principal shall in all respects fully and faithfully comply with all applicable provisions of South Dakota State Law, and reimburse customers of DEL TEL, INC. for any prepayment or deposits they have made which may be unable or unwilling to return to said customers as a result of insolvency or other business failure, then this obligation shall be void, discharges and forever exonerated, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

This bond shall take effect as of the date hereon and shall remain in force and effect until the surety is released from liability by the written order of the Public Utilities Commission, provided that the surety may cancel this Bond and be relieved of further liability hereunder by delivering thirty (30) days written notice to the Public Utilities Commission. Such cancellation shall not affect any liability incurred or accrued hereunder prior to the termination of said thirty (30) day period.

Dated this 17<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2006  
To be effective this 17<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2006

DEL TEL, INC.  
Aliso Viejo, CA  
By   
(Title)

Countersigned this 6<sup>th</sup> day of  
March, 2006  
Countersigned for South Dakota  
By N/A  
Resident Agent

AMERICAN CONTRACTORS INDEMNITY COMPANY  
Los Angeles, CA 90045  
By   
Connie F. Caudill, Attorney-in-Fact

Regardless of the period of time this bond shall be in force, the aggregate liability of the Surety hereunder shall at no time exceed the penal sum of the bond

**American Contractors Indemnity Company**

9841 Airport Blvd., 9<sup>th</sup> Floor Los Angeles, California 90045



**POWER OF ATTORNEY**

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That American Contractors Indemnity Company of the State of California, a California corporation, does hereby appoint, **Paul R. Abrams, Connie E. Caudill, Kimberly A. Nunnelley or David E. Jones of Cincinnati, Ohio**

its true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, with full authority to execute on its behalf bonds, undertakings, recognizances and other contracts of indemnity and writings obligatory in the nature thereof, issued in the course of its business and to bind the Company thereby, in an Amount not to exceed \$ \*\*\*\*\*1,000,000.00\*\*\*\*\*. This Power of Attorney shall expire without further action on March 18, 2007.

This Power of Attorney is granted and is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of AMERICAN CONTRACTORS INDEMNITY COMPANY at a meeting duly called and held on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1990.

"RESOLVED that the Chief Executive Officer, President or any Vice President, Executive Vice President, Secretary or Assistant Secretary, shall have the power and authority

1. To appoint Attorney(s)-in-Fact and to authorize them to execute on behalf of the Company, and attach the seal of the Company thereto, bonds and undertakings, contracts of indemnity and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof and,
2. To remove, at any time, any such Attorney-in-Fact and revoke the authority given.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the signatures of such officers and the seal of the Company may be affixed to any such Power of Attorney or certificate relating thereto by facsimile, and any such Power of Attorney or certificate bearing such facsimile signatures or facsimile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company and any such power so executed and certified by facsimile signatures and facsimile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company in the future with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, American Contractors Indemnity Company has caused its seal to be affixed hereto and executed by its Chief Executive Officer on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2003.



AMERICAN CONTRACTORS INDEMNITY COMPANY

By: Robert F. Thomas  
Robert F. Thomas, Chief Executive Officer

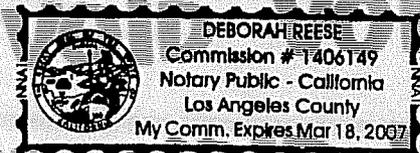
STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

On this 15<sup>th</sup> day of December 2003, before me, Deborah Reese, a notary public, personally appeared Robert F. Thomas, Chief Executive Officer of American Contractors Indemnity Company, to me personally known to be the individual and officer described herein, and acknowledged that he executed the foregoing instrument and affixed the seal of said corporation thereto by authority of his office.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Deborah Reese  
Signature of Notary

My Commission expires March 18, 2007



I, Jeannie J. Kim, Corporate Secretary of American Contractors Indemnity Company, do hereby certify that the Power of Attorney and the resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of said Company as set forth above, are true and correct transcripts thereof and that neither the said Power of Attorney nor the resolution have been revoked and they are now in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS HEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 17<sup>th</sup> day of Feb, 2006.

Bond No. 272748

Jeannie J. Kim  
Jeannie J. Kim, Corporate Secretary

Agency No. #9041



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Department of the Treasury

Fiscal Service  
(Dept. Circular 570; 2005 Revision)

**Companies Holding Certificates of Authority as Acceptable Sureties on  
Federal Bonds and as Acceptable Reinsuring Companies**

**Effective July 1, 2005**

This Circular is published annually, solely for the information of Federal bond-approving officers and persons required to give bonds to the United States. Copies of the Circular and interim changes may be obtained directly from the internet or from the Government Printing Office (202) 512-1800. (Interim changes are published in the FEDERAL REGISTER and on the internet as they occur.) Other information pertinent to Federal sureties may be obtained from the U.S. Department of the Treasury, Financial Management Service, Surety Bond Branch, 3700 East West Highway, Room 6F01, Hyattsville, MD 20782, Telephone (202) 874-6850 or Fax (202) 874-9978.

The most current list of Treasury authorized companies is always available through the Internet at <http://www.fms.treas.gov/c570>. In addition, applicable laws, regulations, and application information are also available at the same site.

Please note that the underwriting limitation published herein is on a per bond basis but this does not limit the amount of a bond that a company can write. Companies are allowed to write bonds with a penal sum over their underwriting limitation as long as they protect the excess amount with reinsurance, coinsurance or other methods as specified at 31 CFR 223.10-11. Please refer to footnote (b) at the end of this publication.

The following companies have complied with the law and the regulations of the U.S. Department of the Treasury. Those listed in the front of this Circular are acceptable as sureties and reinsurers on Federal bonds under Title 31 of the United States Code, Sections 9304 to 9308 [See Note (a)]. Those listed in the back are acceptable only as reinsurers on Federal bonds under 31 CFR 223.3(b) [See Note (e)].

If we can be of any assistance, please feel free to contact the Surety Bond Branch at (202) 874-6850.

Wanda J. Rogers  
Assistant Commissioner  
Financial Operations  
Financial Management Service

***Important Information is Contained in the Notes at the End of This Circular. Please Read the Notes Carefully.***

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SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, WA, WI, WY. INCORPORATED IN: Iowa.

**AMCO Insurance Company (NAIC #19100)**

BUSINESS ADDRESS: 1100 Locust Street, Dept. 2007, Des Moines, IA 50391 - 2007. PHONE: (515) 508-4211. UNDERWRITING LIMITATION b/: \$39,085,000. SURETY LICENSES c,f/: AZ, CA, CO, DE, GA, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, MD, MI, MN, MO, MT, NE, NV, NM, NC, ND, OH, OR, PA, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, WA, WI, WY. INCORPORATED IN: Iowa.

**AMERICAN ALTERNATIVE INSURANCE CORPORATION (NAIC #19720)**

BUSINESS ADDRESS: 555 College Road East - P.O. Box 5241, Princeton, NJ 08543. PHONE: (609) 243-4200. UNDERWRITING LIMITATION b/: \$14,787,000. SURETY LICENSES c,f/: AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, DC, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, MD, MA, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY. INCORPORATED IN: Delaware.

**American Automobile Insurance Company (NAIC #21849)**

BUSINESS ADDRESS: 777 San Marin Drive, Novato, CA 94998. PHONE: (800) 243-9622. UNDERWRITING LIMITATION b/: \$12,440,000. SURETY LICENSES c,f/: AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, DC, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY. INCORPORATED IN: Missouri.

**AMERICAN BANKERS INSURANCE COMPANY OF FLORIDA (NAIC #10111)**

BUSINESS ADDRESS: 11222 Quail Roost Drive, Miami, FL 33157. PHONE: (305) 253-2244 x-35611. UNDERWRITING LIMITATION b/: \$24,149,000. SURETY LICENSES c,f/: AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, DC, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, PR, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, VI, WA, WV, WI, WY. INCORPORATED IN: Florida.

**American Casualty Company of Reading, Pennsylvania (NAIC #20427)**

BUSINESS ADDRESS: CNA Center, Chicago, IL 60685. PHONE: (800) 262-2255. UNDERWRITING LIMITATION b/: \$10,243,000. SURETY LICENSES c,f/: AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, DC, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, PR, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY. INCORPORATED IN: Pennsylvania.

**AMERICAN CONTRACTORS INDEMNITY COMPANY (NAIC #10216) 1**

BUSINESS ADDRESS: 9841 Airport Boulevard, 9th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90045. PHONE: (310) 649-0990. UNDERWRITING LIMITATION b/: \$3,918,000. SURETY LICENSES c,f/: AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, DC, FL, GA, GU, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NJ, NM, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY. INCORPORATED IN: California.

**American Economy Insurance Company (NAIC #19690)**

BUSINESS ADDRESS: Safeco Plaza, Seattle, WA 98185. PHONE: (800) 332-3226. UNDERWRITING LIMITATION b/: \$49,128,000. SURETY LICENSES c,f/: AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, DC, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY. INCORPORATED IN: Indiana.

**American Fire and Casualty Company (NAIC #24066)**

BUSINESS ADDRESS: 9450 Seward Road, Fairfield, OH 45014. PHONE: (513) 603-2400. UNDERWRITING LIMITATION b/: \$4,655,000. SURETY LICENSES c,f/: AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, DC, FL, GA, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY. INCORPORATED IN: Ohio.