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March 9, 2018
Via Web Filing

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen, Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
500 East Capitol Avenue
Capitol Building, 1st Floor
Pierre, SD 57501

**RE: Ionex Communications North, Inc. d/b/a Birch Communications
Notice of Change in Company Name and Replacement Tariffs**

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

The original copy of this letter and replacement tariff, are submitted on behalf of Ionex Communications North, Inc. d/b/a Birch Communications ("Company") to notify the Commission that the Company has converted to a limited liability company and changed its name to Ionex Communications North, LLC d/b/a Birch Communications.

The Company converted to a limited liability company in South Dakota and now operates under the name of Ionex Communications North, LLC d/b/a Birch Communications. Enclosed is a copy of the Certificate of Authority on file with the South Dakota Secretary of State.

The change in corporate form will have no customer impact as there will be no change in the name of customer's provider and no effect on the rates or services offered to customers.

The enclosed replacement tariff, South Dakota Tariff No. 7 (Access) replaces in its entirety the Company's South Dakota Tariff No. 6 currently on file with the Commission. No changes have been made to the tariff except to reflect the Company's new name and to sequentially number the pages and correct section numbering as necessary.

The Company respectfully requests the Commission to change the Company's name in all Commission records to Ionex Communications North, LLC d/b/a Birch Communications and an effective date of March 12, 2018 for the replacement tariff.

Any questions you may have regarding this filing should be directed to my attention at 407-740-3006 or via email to croesel@inteserra.com. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Carey Roesel

Carey Roesel
Consultant

cc: Angela Collins – Cahill, Gordon & Reindel LLP (via Email)
tms: SDx1801

Enclosures
CR/mp

State of South Dakota

Office of the Secretary of State

Certificate of Authority

Foreign Limited Liability Company

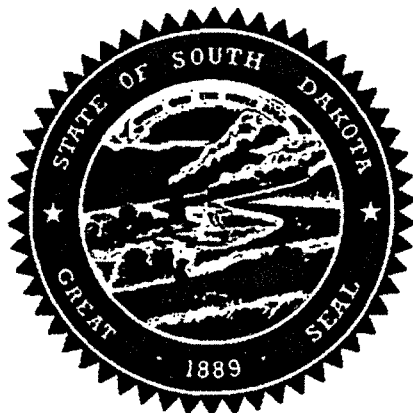
I, **Shantel Krebs**, Secretary of State of the State of South Dakota, hereby certify that the Application for Certificate of Authority to transact business in this state for

IONEX COMMUNICATIONS NORTH, LLC

BUSINESS ID# FL144717

with an effective date of: March 1, 2018, duly signed and verified, pursuant to the provisions of the South Dakota Limited Liability Company Act, has been received in this office and is found to conform to law.

ACCORDINGLY, and by virtue of the authority vested in me by law, I hereby issue this Certificate of Authority and attach hereto a duplicate of the Application for Certificate of Authority.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this day, March 1, 2018.

Shantel Krebs

Shantel Krebs
Secretary of State

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Secretary of State Office
500 E Capitol Ave
Pierre, SD 57501
(605)773-4845
corpinfo@state.sd.us

**APPLICATION FOR
CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY
FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY**
SDCL 47-34A-1002

Please Type or Print Clearly in Ink
Please submit one **Original** and one **Photocopy**
FILING FEE: \$750 payable to SECRETARY OF STATE
*Effective November 14th, 2016; Additional \$15 paper processing fee for
applications filed via paper.*

Application must be accompanied by a one page **Original Certificate of Existence** issued by the Secretary of State or other official having custody of the organizational records in the state or other jurisdiction under whose law it is organized.

1. The name of the company:

Ionex Communications North, LLC

2. If the name indicated above does not include Limited Liability Company, Limited Company or the abbreviation L.L.C., LLC, L.C. or LC. (Limited may be abbreviated as Ltd. and company may be abbreviated as Co.), then what is the alternative name adopted:

3. The name of the state or other jurisdiction under whose laws it is organized: Delaware

4. The address of its principal office (this is the address of the executive offices of the company):

320 Interstate North Pkwy SE	Atlanta	GA	30339
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

Mailing Address if different from street address	City	State	ZIP+4
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Email Address (Optional)

5. If the jurisdiction under which the company is formed requires the company to maintain an office in that jurisdiction then provide for that office:

251 Little Falls Drive	Wilmington	DE	19808
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

Mailing Address if different from street address	City	State	ZIP+4
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6. The South Dakota Registered Agent's name:

South Dakota law permits the registered agent to be either: **A) noncommercial registered agent** (this may be an individual) or **B) a commercial registered agent**. Complete only one below, either (a) or (b).

(a) The South Dakota Noncommercial Registered Agent's name _____

Actual Street Address in this State	City	State	ZIP+4
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Mailing Address in this State, if Different from Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
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Email Address (Optional)

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(b) When listing a Commercial Registered Agent, please state their CRA#. This number can be obtained from the Commercial Registered Agent.

Corporation Service Company

Commercial Registered Agent Name

CRA#

No person may execute this report knowing it is false in any material respect. Any violation may be subject to a criminal penalty (SDCL 22-39-36).

Dated February 8, 2018

Email _____
(Optional)



Signature of an authorized person

Gordon P. Williams, Jr.

Printed Name

Manager

Title

Delaware

The First State

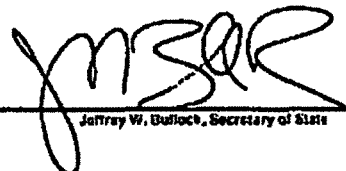
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I, JEFFREY W. BULLOCK, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY "IONEX COMMUNICATIONS NORTH, LLC" IS DULY FORMED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE AND IS IN GOOD STANDING AND HAS A LEGAL EXISTENCE SO FAR AS THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE SHOW, AS OF THE TWENTY-THIRD DAY OF FEBRUARY, A.D. 2018.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE ANNUAL TAXES HAVE BEEN ASSESSED TO DATE.

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Jeffrey W. Bullock, Secretary of State

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