RESOLUTION OF THE WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION

- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribal Government and the business enterprises operated by the Tribe require a substantial amount of telephone communications services in order to facilitate the conduct of day-to-day governmental and business activities, in addition to the desire of individual tribal members for readily accessible telephone communications; and
- WHEREAS, Continental Telephone Company of the West (Contel) is the local publicly regulated communications business serving the communications needs of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, the current facilities provided by Contel are inadequate to properly serve the needs of the Tribe and the community and therefore the need exists to expand existing facilities; and
- WHEREAS, Contel is expanding and improving its services on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, including but not limited to the installation of new fiber optic cable systems linking the reservation with outside communication services, and there is a need for a new central communications facility located in Whiteriver; and
- WHEREAS, Contel wishes to enter into a long term lease of land whereon such a facility may be built in Whiteriver and the Tribal Engineering Department has surveyed and established a site for the location of the communications facility, and the Tribal Council is of the opinion that the construction of such a facility and the leasing of the land is in the best interest of the White Mountain Apache Tribe;
- THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the negotiation and execution of a lease not to exceed 25 years between the White Mountain Apache Tribe and Continental Telephone Company of the West, Inc., whereon Contel may construct a new communications facility.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tribal Chairman is authorized to take all steps necessary to negotiate and finalize the terms of the lease agreement and to execute the same.

The foregoing resolution was on September 15, 1988, duly adopted by a vote of SIX for and ONE against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article V, Section 1(i) of the Amended Constitution and Bylaws of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe June 27, 1958, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on May 29, 1958, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

Chairman of the Tribal Council

Secretary of the Tribal Council

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