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U. S. Department of Commerce
Patent and Trademark Office

To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks: Please record the attached original documents or copy thereof.

1. Name of conveying party(ies):

Consolidated Communications, Inc.

☐ Individual(s) ☐ Association
☐ General Partnership ☐ Limited Partnership
☒ Corporation Illinois
☐ Other

Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

2. Name and Address of receiving party(ies)

Consolidated Communications, Inc.
McLeodUSA Technology Park
6400 C. Street, SW
Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52406-3177

☐ Individual(s) citizenship
☐ Association
☐ General Partnership
☐ Limited Partnership
☒ Corporation Delaware
☐ Other

If assignee is not domiciled in the United States, a domestic representative designation is attached: ☐ Yes ☒ No
 (Designations must be a separate document from assignment)
 Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

3. Nature of conveyance:

☐ Assignment ☒ Merger
☐ Security Agreement ☐ Change of Name
☐ Other:

Execution Date: September 24, 1997

4. Application number(s) or registration number(s):

A. Trademark Application No(s).

B. Trademark Registration No(s).

1993425Additional numbers attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

Diane Vo-Verde, Esq.
 SKADDEN, ARPS, SLATE, MEAGHER
 & FLOM LLP
 Four Times Square
 New York, New York 10036

6. Total number of applications/registrations involved: 17. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41) \$ 40

Check enclosed

☒ All fees and any deficiencies are authorized to be charged to Deposit Account (Our Reference 065890/1)

8. Deposit Account No. 19-2385

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9. Statement and signature.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.

Diane Vo-Verde

Name

Diane Vo-Verde

Signature

April 26, 2002

Date

Total number of pages including cover sheet, attachments, and document: 3

STATE OF DELAWARE
SECRETARY OF STATE
DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS
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CERTIFICATE OF MERGER

OF

**CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS INC., AN ILLINOIS
CORPORATION,**

WITH AND INTO

EASTSIDE ACQUISITION CO., A DELAWARE CORPORATION

Pursuant to Section 252 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, as amended, (the "DGCL"), EASTSIDE ACQUISITION CO. hereby certifies that:

1. The constituent business corporations participating in the merger herein certified (the "Merger") are:

(i) CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS INC., an Illinois corporation ("CCI"); and

(ii) EASTSIDE ACQUISITION CO., a Delaware corporation ("Eastside").

2. An Agreement and Plan of Reorganization (the "Merger Agreement") has been approved, adopted, certified, executed and acknowledged by Eastside and by CCI in accordance with the provisions of Section 252(c) of the DGCL.

3. The Certificate of Incorporation of Eastside is to be amended by reason of the Merger by deleting Article 1 thereof, relating to the name of the corporation, and by substituting in the place thereof the following:

"Article 1. NAME

The name of this corporation is Consolidated Communication Inc. (the "Corporation")."

4. An executed Merger Agreement is on file at the principal office of Eastside, which is located at: McLeodUSA Technology Park, 6400 C Street, SW, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52406-3177.

5. A copy of the Merger Agreement will be furnished, on request and without cost, to any stockholder of any corporation that is a party to the Merger or whose shares are involved in the Merger.


6. CCI has an authorized capitalization of 5,000,000 common shares, par value \$5.00 per share, 40,000 Series A cumulative preferred shares, par value \$100.

per share, and 180,811 Series B cumulative preferred shares, par value \$100 per share.

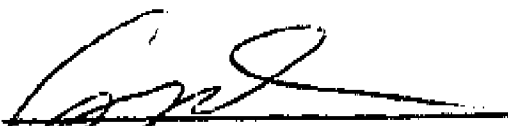
7. Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, the Merger shall be effective as of the date and time of the filing of this Certificate of Merger.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Eastside Acquisition Co. has caused this Certificate of Merger to be executed by Stephen C. Gray, its President, and attested by Casey D. Mahon, its Secretary, this 24th day of September, 1997.

EASTSIDE ACQUISITION CO.,
a Delaware corporation

By: 
Name: Stephen C. Gray
Title: President

ATTEST

By: 
Name: Casey D. Mahon
Title: Secretary