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Ms. Renee Jenkins, Executive Secretary
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Re: Sterling Telecom, Inc.
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Dear Ms. Jenkins:

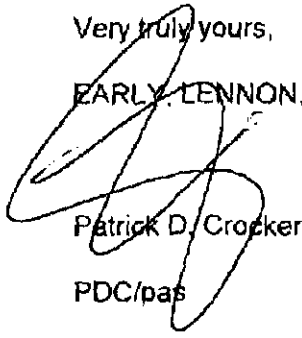
We are the attorneys for the above-referenced company. We respectfully request the Commission withdraw the Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide resold competitive local and long distance telecommunications services, which was filed on behalf of Sterling Telecom, Inc.

Please date-stamp the enclosed duplicate letter and return same to me in the enclosed postage-paid envelope.

Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact my assistant Beth Ronfeldt, or me.

Very truly yours,

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


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cc Robbin Russell, via email