

**HISTORICAL FACT SHEET Telephone Industry Related Companies**



COMPANY Automatic Electric Company

DATE ORGANIZED 1901

WHERE ORGANIZED Chicago, IL

FOUNDER(S) Joseph Harris

NATURE OF BUSINESS Manufacturer

Subsequent names or significant changes resulting from acquisitions, consolidation, sales or bankruptcies:

DATE

See Strowger Automatic (original parent company)

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Became General Telephone Electronics (GTE)

1955

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REMARKS Mr. Harris was instrumental in the original organization of the Strowger Automatic Telephone Exchange Co. in 1891. A.E. was organized in 1901 as an offshoot of the Strowger Co. At first A.E. manufactured apparatus under patents held by the parent Strowger Co where they had received a license for the United States. On March 27, 1908, Automatic Electric acquired all of the Strowger stock and patents.

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