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**VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY**

Mr. Dale Roberts  
Chief A.L.J./Executive Secretary  
Missouri Public Service Commission  
200 Madison Street, Suite 100  
Jefferson City, MO 65102  
(573) 751-3234

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**Missouri Public  
Service Commission**

Re: Long Distance Consolidated Billing Co. - Interexchange

Dear Mr. Roberts:

I hereby seek to appear in Long Distance Consolidated Billing Co.'s Application for Certificate of Service Authority to Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Services Within the State of Missouri.

Enclosed please find an original and eight (8) copies of the Acknowledgement Receipt of \$100.00 as required by Rule 6.01(m) for myself from the Clerk of the Supreme Court along with the Application for Certificate of Service Authority to Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Services Within the State of Missouri.

I have also enclosed an extra copy of this letter to be date stamped and returned to me in the enclosed, self-addressed, postage prepaid envelope. If you have any questions or if I may provide you with any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Please note that this Application is being submitted by myself and Judith A. Rau, Esq., Missouri Counsel, Bar # 24856.

Respectfully submitted,

Lance J.M. Steinhart  
Attorney for Long Distance Consolidated Billing Co.

Enclosures

cc: Jan Lowe  
Office of Public Counsel  
Office of General Counsel



THOMAS F. SIMON  
CLERK

**CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT  
STATE OF MISSOURI  
POST OFFICE BOX 150  
JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI  
65102**

TELEPHONE  
(573) 751-4144

December 3, 2004

*This will hereby acknowledge receipt of \$100 as required by Rule 6.01(m) for Lance J.M. Steinhart, appearing in the matter of Long Distance Consolidated Billing Co.'s Application for Certificate of Service Authority to Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Services Within the State of Missouri, before the Public Service Commission, State of Missouri.*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Thomas F. Simon", written over a horizontal line.

Thomas F. Simon, Clerk

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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Competitive )

APPLICATION

Long Distance Consolidated Billing Co., ("Applicant"), a Michigan Corporation, files this verified application respectfully requesting that the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") issue an order that:

- (a) grants Applicant a Certificate of Service Authority to provide interexchange telecommunications services pursuant to Chapter 392 of the Missouri Revised Statutes.
- (b) grants competitive status to Applicant, and classifies the Applicant's services as competitive.
- (c) waives certain Commission rules and statutory provisions pursuant to Section 392.420, RSMo Cum. Supp. 1992.

In support of its request, Applicant states:

1. The legal name and principal office or place of business of the Applicant are:

Long Distance Consolidated Billing Co.  
7111 Dixie Highway, Suite 211  
Clarkston, Michigan 48346  
(248) 922-2848/Phone  
(248) 922-2821/Facsimile

A copy of Applicant's authority to transact business in Missouri is attached hereto as Exhibit I.

2. The name and address of Applicant's in-state attorney is:

Judith A. Rau, Esq.  
Rau & Rau  
119 E. Mill Street  
Waterloo, Illinois 62298

3. Applicant is a reseller of telecommunications services.

Applicant proposes to provide interexchange telecommunications services within Missouri including direct outbound dialing (1+ and 101XXXX), 800 and 888 (inbound Toll-Free), travel cards, and prepaid calling cards. Applicant respectfully requests authority to provide service to prospective business and residential customers throughout the State of Missouri.

4. Applicant has the experience in the telecommunications industry and the technical and financial resources to provide telecommunications services within Missouri.

5. Applicant's Tariff is attached as Exhibit II. The proposed tariff contains the rules and regulations applicable to its customers, a description of the services offered, and a list of rates associated with such services.

6. Applicant requests classification as a competitive telecommunications company within the State of Missouri, and that its services are classified as competitive. Applicant believes that its proposed services will be subject to sufficient competition to justify a lesser degree of regulation. Granting of this application is in the public interest as it will allow greater price and service options for telephone users.

7. Applicant also respectfully requests, pursuant to Section 392.420 RSMo (Cum. Supp. 1992), that the Commission waive the application of the following rules and statutory provisions as it relates to the regulation of Applicant:

392.210.2 Establish Uniform System of Accounts for Annual reports  
392.240(1) Setting just and reasonable rates  
392.270 Ascertain Property values  
392.280 Establish Depreciation accounts  
392.290 Issuance of securities  
392.300.2 Acquisition of stock  
392.310 Issuance of stock and debt  
392.320 Stock Dividend Payment  
392.330 Issuance of securities, debts and notes  
392.340 Reorganization(s)  
4 CSR 240-10.020 Depreciation fund income  
4 CSR 240-30.040 Uniform System of Accounts

The above-referenced rules and statutory provisions have been waived as to other interexchange carriers in prior cases.

8. Applicant, pursuant to Section 386.570, Cum. Supp. 1992, will comply with all applicable Commission rules except those which are specifically waived by the Commission pursuant to a request filed by the Applicant.

9. Correspondence or communications pertaining to this

Application should be addressed to:

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10. The Applicant has no pending actions or final unsatisfied judgments or decisions against it from any state or federal agency or court which involve customer service or rates, which action, judgment or decision has occurred within three (3) years of the date of this application. No Commission annual reports or assessment fees are overdue.

11. Grant of this Application will further the public interest by expanding the availability of competitive telecommunications services in the State of Missouri. In addition, intrastate offering of these services is in the public interest because the services will provide Missouri customers with access to new technologies and service choices, and can permit customers to achieve increased efficiencies and cost savings. In particular, the public will benefit directly, through the use of the competitive services to be offered by Applicant, and indirectly, because the presence of Applicant in this market will increase the incentives for other telecommunications providers to operate more efficiently, offer more innovative services, reduce their prices, and improve their quality of service.

**WHEREFORE**, Applicant, Long Distance Consolidated Billing Co., respectfully requests that the Missouri Public Service Commission grant it a certificate of service authority to provide interexchange telecommunications services within the State of Missouri. Applicant also requests classification as a competitive telecommunications company and that its services be classified as competitive. In addition Applicant requests a waiver of the above-referenced rules and statutory provisions.

**Respectfully submitted,**



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ATTACHED EXHIBITS

Exhibit I       Missouri Secretary of State Authorization

Exhibit II      Tariff

**Exhibit I**  
**Missouri Secretary of State Authorization**

# STATE OF MISSOURI



**Matt Blunt**  
**Secretary of State**  
**CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY**

WHEREAS,

*Long Distance Consolidated Billing Co.*  
*F00624062*


using in Missouri the name

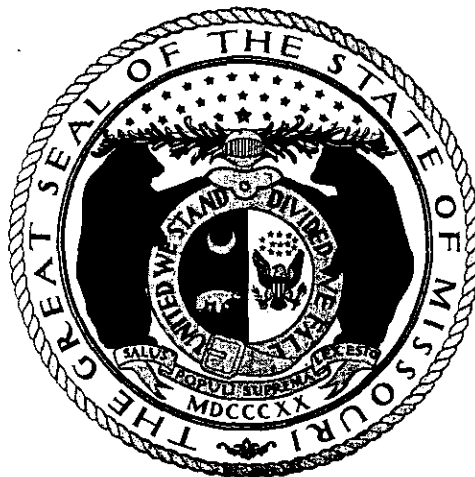
*Long Distance Consolidated Billing Co.*

has complied with the General and Business Corporation Law which governs Foreign Corporations; by filing in the office of the Secretary of State of Missouri authenticated evidence of its incorporation and good standing under the Laws of the State of Michigan.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MATT BLUNT, Secretary of State of the State of Missouri, do hereby certify that said corporation is from this date duly authorized to transact business in this State, and is entitled to all rights and privileges granted to Foreign Corporations under the General and Business Corporation Law of Missouri.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand and imprinted the GREAT SEAL of the State of Missouri, on this, the 24th day of November, 2004.

  
Secretary of State



**Exhibit II**  
**Tariff**

State of Michigan

County of Oakland

**VERIFICATION**

I, Jan Lowe , being duly sworn, declare that I am the President of Long Distance Consolidated Billing Co., the Applicant. I verify that, based upon information and belief, I have knowledge of the statements in the foregoing Application, and I declare that they are true and correct.

X Jan Lowe  
Jan Lowe  
President

~~Sworn~~ to before me, the undersigned Notary Public on this  
10 day of November 2004.

Gretchen M. Lawton  
Notary Public

Gretchen M Lawton  
Print or Type Name

My commission expires:

GRETCHEN M. LAWTON  
Notary Public, State of Michigan, MI  
My Commission Expires 07/26/2008

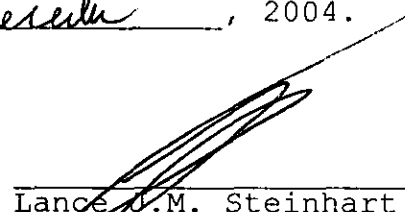
# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy of the foregoing Application for Certificate of Service Authority to Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Services Within the State of Missouri on the following parties, in accordance with the Commission rules:

Office of the Public Counsel  
P. O. Box 7800  
Jefferson City, MO 65102

General Counsel  
Missouri Public Service Commission  
P. O. Box 360  
Jefferson City, MO 65102

Dated this 7<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2004.

  
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