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NEWPATH HOLDINGS, INC.

Case No. TA-2000-491

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Enclosed please find the original plus fourteen (14) copies of Motion for Leave to Withdraw Intervention for filing on behalf of the Small Telephone Company Group in the above referenced matter. Please bring this matter to the attention of the appropriate Commission personnel. A copy of this filing is being sent to all parties of record.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI



In the Matter of the Application)	Service Con Public
of NEWPATH HOLDINGS, INC.)	Service Commission
for a Certificate of Service Authority)	•
to Provide Switched and Dedicated Resold)	Case No. TA-2000-491
and Facilities-Based Local Exchange)	
Telecommunications Services and)	
Facilities-Based Local Exchange)	
Telecommunications Services within the)	
State of Missouri and to Classify Said)	
Services and the Company as Competitive.)	

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO WITHDRAW INTERVENTION

Comes now the Small Telephone Company Group ("STCG"), and in support of its Motion for Leave to Withdraw Intervention in the above-captioned matter states that:

- 1. On February 10, 2000, NewPath Holdings, Inc. ("NewPath") filed an Application requesting a certificate of service authority to provide switched and dedicated resold and facilities-based basic local exchange telecommunications service and facilities-based local exchange service in the State of Missouri. Specifically, NewPath stated that it wished to provide switched and dedicated basic local exchange telecommunications service on a facilities and resold basis throughout the State of Missouri.
- 2. On March 21, 2000, the STCG filed its Application to Intervene in this proceeding on the grounds that the granting or denying of a certificate of service authority to provide basic local telecommunications services throughout the State of Missouri will directly affect Applicants' interests as providers of telecommunication services in Missouri.
- 3. On March 24, 2000, the Commission issued its Order Granting Intervention and Directing Filing of Procedural Schedule in which it granted intervention to the STCG.

- 4. On March 25, 2000, counsel for the STCG received a fax copy of an Amended Application of NewPath Holdings, Inc. for Certificate of Service Authority and for Competitive Classification which NewPath had filed with the Commission on March 22, 2000. In this Amended Application, NewPath states that it wishes to provide switched and dedicated basic local exchange telecommunications service on a facilities and resold basis "only in those territories withing the state of Missouri presently served by the Southwestern Bell, Sprint, and GTE local exchange carriers." (Amended Application, para.3)
- 5. In light of NewPath's Amended Application and the restriction of its request for service authority to the exchanges of the large incumbent local exchange companies, the STCG no longer has an interest in the proceeding sufficient to justify participation.

WHEREFORE, the Small Telephone Company Group respectfully requests that the Commission grant its Motion for Leave to Withdraw Intervention in the above-captioned proceedings and for such other orders as are reasonable in the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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