

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
STATE OF MISSOURI

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Missouri Public  
Service Commission

In the matter of the Joint Application )  
of Miller Telephone Company and )  
Townes Telecommunications, Inc., for )  
an order authorizing Townes )  
Telecommunications Inc., to purchase or )  
acquire, take or hold all of the issued and )  
outstanding capital stock of Miller )  
Telephone Company. )

Case No. TM-2000-748

**MOTION TO EXPEDITE**

Come now Joint Applicants Miller Telephone Company ("Miller") and Townes Telecommunications, Inc., ("Townes") and state to the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") as follows:

1. On this same date Joint Applicants have filed a Joint Application with the Commission requesting that the Commission authorize Townes to purchase all of the issued and outstanding capital stock of Miller.

2. Joint Applicants believe that the transfer of the stock from the current shareholders to Townes will not be detrimental to the public as Miller will continue to do business under the same name and operate in the same manner as it does currently. There will be no change in rates or methods of operation as a result of the stock acquisition. In the Stock Purchase Agreement negotiated by the parties, Townes has agreed to retain the present employees of Miller whose managerial abilities will be combined with the telecommunications expertise of the principals of Townes in order to effectively provide efficient and affordable service to the Miller customers.

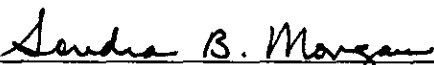
3. The purchaser Townes currently holds the stock of two Missouri telecommunications companies, MoKan Dial, Inc., and Choctaw Telephone Company. The Commission recently

considered the qualifications of Townes when approving the purchase of the stock of Choctaw in Case No. TM-99-79.

4. Because the parties are anxious to complete this transaction, Joint Applicants request that the Commission expedite its consideration of this Joint Application so that the transfer of the stock can take place by June 30, 2000.

Wherefore, Joint Applicants Miller Telephone Company and Townes Telecommunications, Inc., respectfully request that the Commission grant its Motion to Expedite and for any other relief appropriate in the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

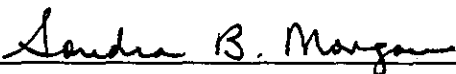
  
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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was hand-delivered this 11<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2000 to:

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