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RE: Case No. \_\_\_\_\_

**Missouri Telecom, Inc.**

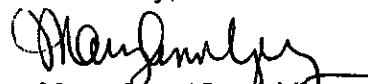
Application for Authority to Provide Interexchange and Non-Switched  
Local Exchange Telecommunications Services  
and Initial Tariff, P.S.C. Mo. No. 2

Dear Secretary:

Enclosed please find an original and five copies of the **Application for Certificate of Service Authority** for filing with the Commission on behalf of Missouri Telecom, Inc. Also enclosed is Missouri Telecom, Inc.'s proposed initial interexchange and local exchange services tariff, P.S.C. Mo. No. 2, which bears a 45-day effective date.

Thank you for assistance in the processing this filing. Copies are being served on the Commission's General Counsel and Office of the Public Counsel. If there are any questions concerning this filing, please contact me at 634-8109 or myyoung0654@aol.com.

Sincerely,

  
Mary Ann (Garr) Young

Enclosures

cc: General Counsel  
Office of the Public Counsel  
Judy Wormington, Missouri Telecom

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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

**Missouri Public  
Service Commission**

Application of Missouri Telecom, Inc. )  
For a Certificate of Service Authority )  
To Provide Interexchange and Non-Switched )  
Local Exchange Telecommunications )  
Services in the State of Missouri and for )  
Competitive Classification )

Case No. \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE AUTHORITY**

Missouri Telecom, Inc. ("Missouri Telecom" or "Applicant"), by its undersigned counsel, hereby submits this Application for certificate of service authority to provide interexchange and non-switched (private line) local exchange telecommunications service in the State of Missouri, and for competitive classification, pursuant to Sections 392.410, 392.430 and 392.440 RSMo. and 4 CSR 240-2.060. Applicant respectfully requests the Commission issue an order that 1) grants Applicant a certificate of service authority to provide intrastate interexchange and non-switched (private line) local exchange telecommunications services on a statewide basis pursuant to Chapter 392 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, 2) grants competitive status to Applicant pursuant to Section 392.361 RSMo., (3) waives certain Commission rules and statutory provisions pursuant to Sections 392.420 and 392.361 RSMo. and 4) approves Applicant's separately filed initial interexchange tariff. In support of its application, the Missouri Telecom states as follows:

1. Applicant is a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Missouri. In compliance with 4 CSR 240-2.060(1)(B), the Company states that its certificate of good standing from the Secretary of State's office was filed in Missouri PSC Case No. TA-99-549 and is incorporated herein

by reference pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.060(1)(G). Applicant remains in good standing. The nature of Missouri Telecom's business is the provision of telecommunications services. The Company's principal place of business address and telephone number is:

Missouri Telecom Telecom, Inc.  
515 Cleveland, Suite C  
Monett MO 65708  
Phone: 417-635-0111  
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Customer Service: 888-429-0648

2. All inquiries, correspondence, communications, pleadings, notices, orders and decisions relating to this case should be addressed to:

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All general correspondence from the Commission after certification should be forwarded to the Company care of its regulatory contact, Ms. Wormington, whose contact information is shown above.

3. The Company proposes to provide switched long distance interexchange service to business and residential customers on a statewide basis. Service may be provided on a resold or facilities basis or a combination thereof. Applicant will offer operator services to its interexchange service customers. The Company will also offer local exchange (non-switched private line) services.
4. The Company is a telecommunications company which possesses the technical and managerial expertise to provide the services it proposes.
5. The Applicant also possesses the necessary financial resources to provide the services it proposes.
6. In accordance with 4 CSR 240-2.060(6)(C), Applicant is simultaneously submitting its proposed tariff with a forty-five day effective date for approval by the Commission. The tariff contains the rules and regulations applicable to its customers, description of services offered and list of rates associated with such services. The Company requests that the Commission approve its interexchange and local exchange tariff, PSC Mo. No. 2, simultaneously with granting a certificate of service authority in this case.
7. Applicant will not unjustly discriminate among its customers as is prohibited under Section 392.200 RSMo.
8. Applicant is a competitive provider of long distance telecommunications services and thus requests competitive classification pursuant to Section 392.361 RSMo and 4 CSR 240-2.060(6)(A). Applicant believes its proposed services will be subject to sufficient competition to justify a lesser degree of regulation. Further, when granted the Certificate requested herein, Applicant will be competing with other

telecommunications companies in Missouri offering the same or similar services as Applicant.

9. Applicant is willing to comply with all applicable Commission rules, except those which are specifically waived by the Commission. Consistent with the Commission's treatment of other certificated competitive interexchange telecommunications companies, Applicant requests that the following statutes and regulations be waived for Applicant and its interexchange service offerings:

**Statutes:**

392.210.2	Uniform System of Accounts
392.240(1)	Just & Reasonable Rates
392.270	Ascertain Property Values
392.280	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 & notes
392.340	Reorganizations

**Rules:**

4 CSR 240-3.545 (2)(C)	Rate schedules posted at central office
4 CSR 240-10.020	Depreciation fund income
4 CSR 240-30.040	Uniform system of accounts
4 CSR 240-33.030	Inform customers of lowest price

10. Applicant submits that the public interest will be served by Commission approval of this application because Applicant's proposed services will create and enhance competition and expand customer service options, and offer service options consistent with the legislative goals set forth in the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 and Chapter 392 RSMo. Prompt approval of this application also will

expand the availability of innovative, high quality, and reliable telecommunications services within the State of Missouri.

11. The Company will not resell its services to other telecommunications companies.
12. Applicant is not aware of any pending action 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 the application.
13. No annual reports or assessment fees are overdue from Applicant.

WHEREFORE, Applicant, Missouri Telecom Telecom, Inc., respectfully requests that the Commission 1) grant it a certificate of service authority to provide interexchange and non-switched local exchange telecommunications services as requested herein; 2) classify the Company and its proposed services as competitive; 3) grant waivers of statutes and regulations as requested herein; and 4) approve its separately submitted tariff.

Respectfully submitted,




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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of this document has been hand delivered or mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid to the Office of Public Counsel and the General Counsel's office on this 9th day of October 2003.

  
Mary Ann (Garr) Young

