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RE: Case No. TA-2000-698

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case are an original and eight (8) conformed copies of a **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**.

This filing has been mailed or hand-delivered this date to all counsel of record.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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Missouri Public
Service Commission

In the Matter of the Application of J D)
Services, Inc., d/b/a American Freedom)
Network, for a Certificate of Service)
Authority to Provide Interexchange)
Telecommunications Services)

Case No. TA-2000-698

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) by and through one of its attorneys, and for its Recommendation states as follows:

1. In the attached Memorandum, which is labeled Appendix A, the Staff recommends that the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) grant J D Services, d/b/a American Freedom Network, a Nevada Corporation, a certificate to provide interexchange telecommunications services. The Commission shall grant an application for a certificate of telecommunications service authority upon a finding that the grant of authority is in the public interest. (See §§ 392.430 and 392.440, RSMo 1994.)

2. Staff recommends that the Commission classify the Applicant and its services as competitive. The Commission may classify a telecommunications provider or its services as competitive if the Commission determines it is subject to sufficient competition to justify a lesser degree of regulation. (See §392.361.2 RSMo 1994.) All the services a competitive company provides must be classified as competitive. (See §392.361.3 RSMo 1994.)

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3. Staff also recommends that the Commission approve the waivers listed in the Notice of Application. The Commission may waive the application of its rules and certain statutes if the Commission determines that waiver is consistent with the purposes of Chapter 392 RSMo. (See §§ 392.361.3 and 392.420 RSMo 1994 and § 392.185 RSMo Supp. 1999.)

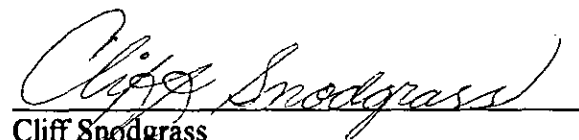
4. Staff further recommends that the Commission approve the Applicant's adoption of the tariff of J D Services, Inc., a Utah Corporation, with which the Applicant seeks approval to merge in Case No. TM-2000-699.

5. Staff lastly recommends that the Commission order the Applicant to submit, within 15 days after certification, a revised tariff sheet to reflect the waivers in the Notice of Application.

WHEREFORE, the Staff recommends that the Commission grant J D Services, Inc., d/b/a American Freedom Network (Nevada Corporation) a certificate to provide interexchange telecommunications services, grant the Applicant and its services a competitive classification, approve Applicant's proposed adoption of the tariff of J D Services, Inc., (Utah Corporation), approve the waivers listed in the Notice of Application, direct the Applicant to submit a revised tariff sheet within 15 days after certification to reflect that list of waivers, and that the effective date of the Order in this case coincide with the effective date of the Order in Case No. TM-2000-699.

Respectfully submitted,

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered to all counsel of record as shown on the attached service list this 21st day of June, 2000.



MEMORANDUM

To: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File
Case No: TA-2000-698 File No: na
Applicant: JD Services, Inc. d/b/a American Freedom Network

From: Philip M. Garcia ²⁹
Telecommunications Department
Ben Wright 6/19/00 Wm K Haas 6/20/00
Utility Operations Division/Date General Counsel's Office/Date

Subject: Staff Recommendation for Approval of Certificate

Date: June 19, 2000

Date Assigned: May 17, 2000

Staff Deadline: June 26, 2000

The Telecommunications Department Staff (Staff) recommends the applicant be granted the following certificate(s), as indicated below, to be effective on the same date the tariff becomes effective:

- ☒ certificate to provide interexchange telecommunications services.
☐ certificate to provide local exchange telecommunications services.*
*local exchange authority should be restricted to dedicated, private line services.

Staff recommends the applicant and its services receive competitive classification. Attachment A addresses Staff recommendations regarding the requested waivers and the issue of tariff effective date.

Is there an attachment to this recommendation indicating any additional recommendations or special considerations? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Application/Tariff Review Items

No applications to intervene filed.

Application contains the following:

Proper Secretary of State authorization



Request for classification as a competitive telecommunications company.



All requested waivers are listed in the Notice and all requested waivers have previously been granted to other competitive companies.

Proposed tariff:

Complies with PSC rules and statutes applicable to applicant.



If operator services offered, such services are not inconsistent with 4 CSR 240-33.130.



Includes "interexchange" tariff text if offers private line service w/o requesting a local certificate.



If ICB pricing proposed, only for private line.



If ICB pricing is offered, tariff includes standardized ICB text.



Rate structures or service offerings are similar to existing IXC offerings. (In addition, tariff does not geographically de-average).



If promotional offering text is included, it is standardized promotion text.



Waivers listed in tariff match those listed in application and Notice.

Services Offered in Initial Tariff

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800/888/877 Services



Directory Assistance



Operator Assistance



Private Line



Debit Card



Travel Card



Other:

Has proposed effective date been extended? ☐ Yes ☒ No

New effective date:

Have substitute tariff sheets been filed: ☐ Yes ☒ No

Date of substitute sheets:

From	Initials	Date	Revised
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Attachment A

Applicant proposes, as stated in the accompanying Application for Merger Approval TM-2000-699, to adopt the current filed tariff of JD Services, Inc., a Utah corporation, PSC Mo. No. 1, original page 1 to second revised page 23. As applicant is adopting an existing tariff, the assignment of an tariff effective date would not be appropriate. Staff further recommend that the Commission order JDS to submit within 15 days a tariff filing revising the waivers in the existing tariff to the updated standard waivers which the Commission allows to competitive interexchange carriers. If these recommendations are acceptable, Staff requests that they be scheduled to coincide with the recommendations presented in applicant's Application for Merger Approval TM-2000-699.

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