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RE: Case No. TD-2000- 6 02

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Missouri Public Service Commission

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case are an original and fourteen (14) conformed copies of a MOTION TO OPEN DOCKET AND CANCEL CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE AUTHORITY AND ACCOMPANYING TARIFF.

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

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely\vour

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

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In the Matter of the Cancellation of the Certificate of Service Authority and Accompanying Tariff for WATS	) ) )	Case No. TD-2000-6
International Corp.	)	

## MOTION TO OPEN DOCKET AND CANCEL CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE AUTHORITY AND ACCOMPANYING TARIFF

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) and for its Motion to Open Docket and Cancel Certificate of Service Authority and Accompanying Tariff, respectfully states as follows:

- 1. On July 15, 1994, the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) granted a certificate of service authority to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications services to WATS International Corporation (WATS) in Case No. TA-94-337. The Commission's Order in Case No. TA-94-337 states, "Applicant is required to file a Missouri-specific annual report pursuant to Section 392.310, RSMo, and Section 392.390.1 RSMo." The terms of the certificate also require the applicant to keep the Commission informed of its current address and telephone number.
- 2. WATS did not file an annual report for 1998 as required by the Commission's Order. Additionally, WATS' 1999 annual report form was returned by the post office as undeliverable. The Staff contacted the Missouri Secretary of State's office and was informed that WATS was administratively dissolved by the Missouri Secretary of State on August 31, 1998 due to its failure to file an annual report.

3. WATS has not filed a formal request to cancel its certificate. However, the Staff believes that WATS has violated the terms of its certificate by its failure to keep the Commission informed of its current address and telephone number and its failure to file annual reports. The Commission has the authority to cancel a telecommunications corporation certificate pursuant to Section 392.410.5 RSMo (Supp. 1999), which provides:

Any certificate of service authority may be altered or modified by the commission after notice and hearing, upon its own motion or upon application of the person or company affected.

However, the Commission need not hold a hearing, if, after proper notice and opportunity to intervene, no part requests such a hearing. State ex rel. Rex Deffenderfer Enterprises, Inc. v. Public Service Comm'n, 776 S.W.2d 494, 496 (Mo. App. 1989).

WHEREFORE, the Staff recommends the Commission cancel the certificate of service authority and tariffs of WATS.

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 27th day of March 2000.

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