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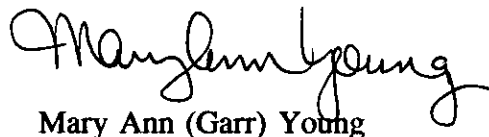
RE: Case No. TA-2000-390
Application of IP Communications Corporation d/b/a IP Communications of the
Southwest Corporation for Certificate of Service Authority to Provide Interexchange and
Non-Switched Local Exchange Telecommunications Services

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed please find an original and fourteen copies of the Application of IP Communications Corporation d/b/a IP Communications of the Southwest Corporation, for Interexchange and Non-switched Local Exchange Service for filing with the Commission.

Thank you for your assistance in processing this filing. A copy is being served on the Office of Public Counsel and General Counsel. If there are any questions, please feel free to call me at 634-8109.

Sincerely,


Mary Ann (Garr) Young

Enclosure

cc: Office of Public Counsel
General Counsel's Office
David Bolduc, McCollough & Associates

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Missouri Public
Service Commission

In the Matter of the Application of)
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IP Communications Corporation, d/b/a)
IP Communications of the)
Southwest Corporation)
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for a Certificate of Service Authority to)
Provide Interexchange and Non-Switched Local)
Exchange Telecommunications Service)
in the State of Missouri)
and to Classify Said Company as Competitive)

Case No. TA-2000-390

**APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE AUTHORITY
AND FOR COMPETITIVE CLASSIFICATION**

Comes now IP Communications Corporation, d/b/a IP Communications of the Southwest Corporation (IP), by its undersigned counsel, and hereby applies pursuant to Sections 392.361, 392.410, 392.420, and 392.430 RSMo and 4 CSR 240-2.060, for authority to provide interexchange telecommunications service and non-switched local exchange telecommunications service in the State of Missouri, for classification of IP as a competitive telecommunications company, and for waiver of certain Commission rules and statutory provisions. In support of its application, IP states as follows:

1. Applicant IP Communications Corporation, d/b/a IP Communications of the Southwest Corporation, is a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Texas, and has a certificate of authority to conduct business in the State of Missouri. A copy of its certificate of authority to conduct business in the State of Missouri is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit 1.

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

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The primary contact person and principal office of IP, to whom all inquiries, correspondence, communications, pleadings, notices, orders and decisions relating to the case, as well as questions concerning the ongoing operations of the company, should be also be addressed are:

Sean Minter, President
IP Communications Corporation
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The following toll-free number is available for customer service inquiries:

(877) 472-9375 ((877) IPC-XDSL)

3. IP proposes to provide interexchange telecommunications service, including both inbound and outbound intraLATA services, and dedicated non-switched local exchange telecommunications service on a facilities and resold basis, throughout the state of Missouri.

4. Pursuant to this application, IP seeks to offer and provide all forms of

interexchange and dedicated, non-switched local telecommunications service, including xDSL, point-to-point T1, DS1, DS3, and other data communications services.

5. IP possesses the technical and managerial expertise and experience necessary to provide the services it proposes. IP also possesses the necessary financial resources to provide the services it proposes.

6. IP seeks classification as a competitive telecommunications company pursuant to Section 392.420 RSMO. IP believes that its proposed services will be subject to sufficient competition to justify a lesser degree of regulation. Granting of this application will allow greater price and service options for telephone users..

7. IP is willing to comply with all applicable Commission rules except those that are specifically waived by the Commission pursuant to a request filed by IP. Consistent with the Commission's treatment of other certificated competitive interexchange and local exchange telecommunications companies, IP requests that the following statutes and regulations be waived for IP and its interexchange and non-switched local exchange service offerings:

Statutes

Section 392.240(1)
Section 392.270
Section 392.280
Section 392.290
Section 392.310
Section 392.320
Section 392.330
Section 392.340

Public Service Commission Rules

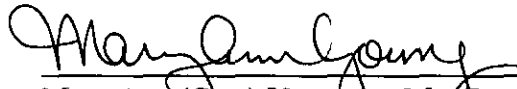
4 CSR 240-10.020
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4 CSR 240-32.030(2)
4 CSR 240-32.050(3)
4 CSR 240-32.050(4)
4 CSR 240-32.050(5)
4 CSR 240-32.050(6)
4 CSR 240-32.070(4)
4 CSR 240-33.030
4 CSR 240-33.040(5)

8. Concurrently with this filing, Applicant is filing its proposed tariff containing the rules and regulations governing its services, a description of the services currently offered, and a list of rates associated with such services. The tariff has a forty-five (45) day effective date as required by 4 CSR 240-060(4)(H).

9. IP submits that the public interest will be served by Commission approval of this application because IP Communications Corporation's proposed services will create and enhance competition and expand customer 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.

WHEREFORE, applicant IP Communications Corporation, d/b/a IP Communications of the Southwest Corporation respectfully requests that the Commission grant it a certificate of service authority to provide interexchange telecommunications service and non-switched local exchange telecommunications service as herein requested, classify IP Communications Corporation, d/b/a IP Communications of the Southwest Corporation as a competitive telecommunications company, and grant a waiver of the aforesaid statutes and regulations.

Respectfully submitted,



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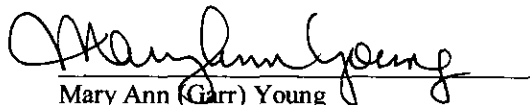
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ATTORNEYS FOR IP
COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION,
D/B/A IP COMMUNICATIONS OF THE
SOUTHWEST CORPORATION
COMMUNICATIONS

Dated: 12/28/99

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, on this 28th day of December, 1999.



Mary Ann (Garr) Young

EXHIBITS

Exhibit 1 Certificate of Authority to Transact Business in Missouri
Affidavit

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Certificate of Authority to Transact Business in the State of Missouri

FROM BAKER B.

STATE OF MISSOURI



Rebecca McDowell Cook
Secretary of State

CORPORATION DIVISION - CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

WHEREAS,
IP COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION

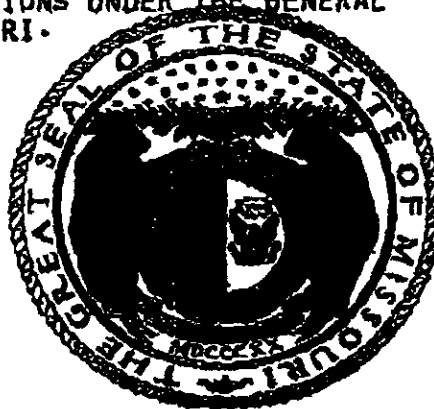
USING IN MISSOURI THE NAME
IP COMMUNICATIONS OF THE SOUTHWEST CORPORATION

HAS COMPLIED WITH THE GENERAL AND BUSINESS CORPORATION LAW WHICH GOVERNS FOREIGN CORPORATIONS; BY FILING IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF MISSOURI AUTHENTICATED EVIDENCE OF ITS INCORPORATION AND GOOD STANDING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, REBECCA MCDOWELL COOK, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT SAID CORPORATION IS FROM THIS DATE DULY AUTHORIZED TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN THIS STATE, AND IS ENTITLED TO ALL RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES GRANTED TO FOREIGN CORPORATIONS UNDER THE GENERAL AND BUSINESS CORPORATION LAW OF MISSOURI.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE SET MY HAND AND IMPRINTED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, ON THIS, THE 2ND DAY OF DECEMBER, 1999.

Rebecca McDowell Cook
Secretary of State



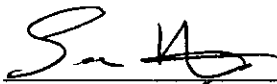
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STATE OF TEXAS)
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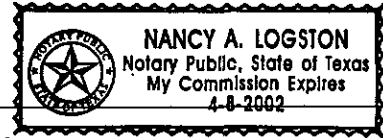
I, SEAN MINTER, declare that I am PRESIDENT of IP Communications Corporation, d/b/a IP Communications of the Southwest Corporation, the Applicant in the subject proceeding; that I have read the foregoing Application, and I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true, accurate and correct to the best of my knowledge, information or belief, on this 14th day of December, 1999.

Signed: 

Name: SEAN MINTER

Title: PRESIDENT & Chief OPERATING OFFICER

Subscribed and sworn before me on this 14th day of December, 1999.



Notary Public

My Commission expires: 4-8-2002