## OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Precision	)	
Communication Missouri, Inc. for Certificate o	f)	
Service Authority to Provide Private Pay	)	Case No. PA-2008-0081
Telephone Service within the State of	)	
Missouri	)	

## ORDER GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE PRIVATE PAYPHONE SERVICES

Issue Date: October 10, 2007 Effective Date: October 10, 2007

This order grants Precision Communication Missouri, Inc. ("Precision Communication") a certificate of service authority to provide private pay telephone service.

On September 17, 2007, pursuant to Section 392.440, RSMo 2000, Precision Communication filed an application with the Missouri Public Service Commission for a certificate of service authority to provide private pay telephone service in Missouri, via customer-owned coin telephone (COCT) equipment. Precision Communication is a Kansas corporation with its principal place of business located at 11599 North Ridgeview Road, Olathe, Kansas 66061, and has a certificate issued by the Missouri Secretary of State authorizing it to do business in Missouri as a foreign corporation.

The Commission issued a Notice of Applications for Authority to Provide Payphone Service on September 18, 2007, which set an intervention deadline of October 3, 2007. No applications to intervene were filed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Unless indicated otherwise, all statutory references are to RSMo. 2000.

The Commission finds that competition in the private pay telephone service market is in the public interest and Precision Communication shall be granted a certificate of service authority. The provision of private pay telephone service is classified as competitive and subject to minimum regulation pursuant to Section 392.520. That section specifically exempts COCT providers from the tariff filing requirements of Sections 392.220, 392.230, 392.370.4, 392.370.5, and 392.500. Precision Communication shall promptly notify the Commission if it ceases to provide private pay telephone services in Missouri, or if the address or phone number of its principal place of business changes. The Commission finds that Precision Communication's service shall be provided in accordance with the following requirements:

- A. The equipment shall provide users access to the following without charge and without the use of a coin: (i) dial tone; (ii) an operator; and (iii) local 911 or E-911 emergency service, or, where unavailable, prominently displayed instructions on how to reach local emergency service;
- B. The equipment shall be mounted in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and local laws for the disabled, and shall provide access to telecommunications relay service calls for the hearing disabled at no charge to the caller;
- C. The equipment shall allow completion of local and long distance calls;
- D. The equipment shall permit access to directory assistance;
- E. There shall be displayed in close proximity to the equipment, in 12 Point Times Bold print, the name, address, and telephone number of the COCT provider, the procedures for reporting service difficulties, the method of obtaining customer refunds, and the method of obtaining long distance access. If applicable, the notice shall state that only one-way calling is permitted. If an alternative operator services (AOS) provider is employed, the COCT provider shall display such notice as is required by the Commission; and
- F. The equipment shall not block access to any local or interexchange telecommunications carrier.

The Commission reminds the company that failure to comply with its regulatory obligations may result in the assessment of penalties against it. These regulatory obligations include, but are not limited to, the following:

- A) The obligation to pay an annual assessment fee established by the Commission, as required by Section 386.370.
- B) The obligation to comply with all relevant laws and regulations, as well as orders issued by the Commission. If the company fails to comply, it is subject to penalties for noncompliance ranging from \$100 to \$2,000 per day of noncompliance for each offense, pursuant to Section 386.570.
- C) The obligation to keep the Commission informed of its current address and telephone number.

Furthermore, the company is reminded that, as it is a corporation, non-attorneys may not represent the company before the Commission except as otherwise authorized by the Commission's rules. Instead, the corporation must be represented by an attorney licensed to practice law in Missouri. The company is also reminded that Section 392.410.5, RSMo Cum. Supp. 2005, renders the company's certificate of service authority null and void one year from the date of this order unless it has exercised its authority under that certificate.

## IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Precision Communication Missouri, Inc. is granted a certificate of service authority to provide private pay telephone service in the state of Missouri via customerowned coin telephone equipment, subject to the requirements of certification set out in this order.

- 2. The certification granted herein is conditioned upon the company's compliance with the regulatory obligations in this order.
  - 3. This order shall become effective on October 10, 2007.
  - 4. This case may be closed on October 11, 2007.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

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Benjamin H. Lane, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority under Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 10th day of October, 2007.