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CASE NO: TT-99-381

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Enclosed find certified copy of an Order in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 11th day of May, 1999.

In the Matter of the Application of Primus)) <u>Case</u>	
Telecommunications, Inc., and TresCom USA,		Case No. TM-99-381
Inc., for Approval of a Pro Forma Internal)	
Reorganization.)	

ORDER APPROVING MERGER

Primus Telecommunications, Inc. (Primus), and TresCom USA, Inc. (TresCom), filed their joint application on March 4, 1999, seeking approval of the merger of TresCom into Primus.

The parties are both competitive telecommunications carriers. Primus, a Delaware corporation, provides international, interstate and intrastate long distance voice, data and value-added services. Primus provides resold intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in forty-eight states, including Missouri, under authority granted by this Commission on September 13, 1995, in Case No. TA-96-20. Primus is wholly-owned by Primus Telecommunications Group, Inc. (PTGI), a publicly traded holding company. TresCom, a Florida corporation, provides resold intrastate interexchange services in forty-eight states, including Missouri, under authority granted by this Commission on December 1, 1996, in Case No. TA-97-150. TresCom is also authorized by the United States Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to provide domestic interstate and international services as a non-dominant carrier throughout the

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United States. TresCom is a wholly-owned subsidiary of TresCom International, Inc., which in turn is wholly-owned by PTGI.

The parties plan to merge TresCom into Primus. Primus, as the surviving entity, will continue to provide services to TresCom's Missouri customers under the same prices, terms and conditions as TresCom. The parties argue that the merger is in the public interest as it will permit Primus to provide the same services at less cost.

The Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed a Memorandum on May 5, 1999, in which it recommends that the Commission approve the transaction. Staff further recommends that the Commission direct Primus to file, within thirty days of the effective date of this order, tariff sheets adding TresCom's services and rates to Primus' tariff. Staff also recommends that the Commission cancel TresCom's certificate of service authority and tariff on the sixtieth day following the effective date of this order.

The Commission has reviewed the application, the accompanying documentation, and Staff's recommendation, and finds that the proposed acquisition and merger will have no adverse impact on the Missouri customers of Primus and TresCom. Therefore, the Commission finds that the transaction is not detrimental to the public interest and should be approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the application filed by Primus Telecommunications, Inc., and TresCom USA, Inc., on March 4, 1999, is approved.

- 2. That the Applicants are authorized to consummate the merger of TresCom USA, Inc., into Primus Telecommunications, Inc.
- 3. That the Applicants are authorized to take any and all actions necessary to effect the merger authorized by this order.
- 4. That Primus Telecommunications, Inc., shall file any necessary and appropriate tariff revisions to add the services and rates of TresCom USA, Inc., to its tariffs no later than June 10, 1999.
- 5. That the certificate of service authority and tariffs of TresCom USA, Inc., shall be canceled on July 10, 1999.
 - 6. That this Order shall become effective on May 21, 1999.
 - 7. That this case may be closed on May 24, 1999.

BY THE COMMISSION

Hole Hard Roberts

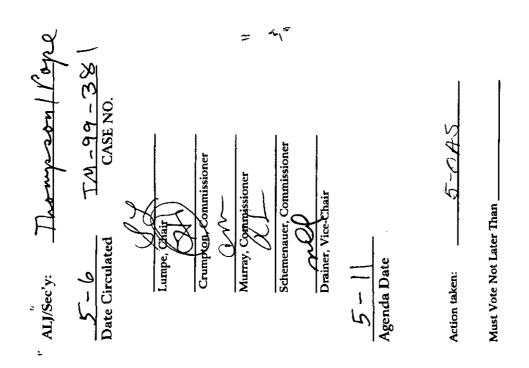
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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(SEAL)

Lumpe, Ch., Crumpton, Drainer, Murray and Schemenauer, CC., concur.

Thompson, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge



STATE OF MISSOURI OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and

I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City,

Missouri, this 11TH day of MAY, 1999.

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge