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Missouri Public Service Commission Attn: Secretary of the Commission 200 Madison Street, Suite 100 P. O. Box 360 Jefferson City, MO 65102-0360 FILED³ JUN 2 0 2003

Missouri Public Bervice Commission

RE: Case No.

Ren-Tel Communications, Inc.

Application for Authority to Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Services and Initial Interexchange Telecommunications Services Tariff, Mo. P.S.C. No. 3

Dear Secretary:

Enclosed please find an original and five copies of the <u>Application for Certificate</u> of <u>Service Authority and For Competitive Classification</u> for filing with the Commission on behalf of Ren-Tel Communications, Inc. Also enclosed is Ren-Tel Communications, Inc.'s proposed initial interexchange services tariff, Mo. P.S.C. No. 3, which bears a 45-day effective date.

Thank you for assistance in the processing this filing. Copies are being served on the Commission's General Counsel and Office of the Public Counsel. If there are any questions concerning this filing, please contact me at 634-8109 or myoung0654@aol.com.

Sincerely, Handbury Mary Ann (Garr) Koung

Enclosures

cc: General Counsel Office of the Public Counsel Kim Smith, Ren-Tel Candice Clark

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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Application of Ren-Tel Communications, Inc. For a Certificate of Service Authority To Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Services in the State of Missouri and for Competitive Classification

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APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE INTEREXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES

Ren-Tel Communications, Inc. ("Ren-Tel" or "Applicant"), by its undersigned counsel, hereby submits this Application for certificate of service authority to provide interexchange telecommunications service in the State of Missouri, and for competitive classification, pursuant to Sections 392.410, 392.430 and 392.440 RSMo. and 4 CSR 240-2.060. Applicant respectfully requests the Commission issue an order that 1) grants Applicant a certificate of service authority to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications service authority to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications services on a statewide basis pursuant to Chapter 392 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, 2) grants competitive status to Applicant pursuant to Section 392.361 RSMo., (3) waives certain Commission rules and statutory provisions pursuant to Sections 392.420 and 392.361 RSMo., and 4) approves Applicant's separately filed initial interexchange tariff. In support of its application, the Ren-Tel states as follows:

 Applicant is a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Georgia. The Company is authorized to conduct business as a foreign corporation within Missouri. Applicant is currently providing basic local telecommunications services in Missouri pursuant to certificate of service authority to issued by the Commission on November 17, 1998, in Case No. TA-

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98-324. A copy of Applicant's Certificate of Authority to do Business in the

State of Missouri was filed in Case No. TA-98-324, and is incorporated herein by

reference pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.080(1)(G). The information therein remains

correct and current. The nature of Ren-Tel's business is the provision of

telecommunications services. Ren-Tel's Officer's Verification was unavailable at

the time of this filing but will be provided as soon as it is available. The

Company's principal place of business address and telephone number are:

Ren-Tel Communications, Inc.33 Black Forest Run Suite 100Douglasville, GA 30134Phone:678-715-6464Fax:678-715-1310Toll Free:1-877-973-6835 (Customer Service)

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

Mary Ann (Garr) Young William D. Steinmeier, P.C. 2031 Tower Drive P.O. Box 104595 Jefferson City, MO 65110-4595 Phone: (573) 634-8109 Fax: (573) 634-8224 E-Mail: myoung0654@aol.com

All general correspondence from the Commission after certification should be

forwarded to the Company in care of its regulatory contact as follows:

Kim Smith Ren-Tel Communications, Inc. P.O. Box 5307 Douglasville, GA 30154-0006 Phone: 678-715-6464 Ext. 101 Fax: 678-715-1310 Email: rentel@mindspring.com

- 3. The Company proposes to provide resold switched long distance interexchange service to business and residential customers on a statewide basis in conjunction with its basic local telephone services. The Company will not offer operator service or local exchange (non-switched private line) services.
- 4. The Company is a telecommunications company which possesses the technical and managerial expertise to provide the services it proposes.
- 5. The Applicant also possesses the necessary financial resources to provide the services it proposes.
- 6. In accordance with 4 CSR 240-2.060(6)(C), Applicant is simultaneously submitting its proposed tariff with a forty-five day effective date for approval by the Commission. The tariff contains the rules and regulations applicable to its customers, description of services offered and list of rates associated with such services. The Company requests that the Commission approve its MO P.S.C. Tariff No. 3 simultaneously with granting a certificate of service authority in this case.
- Applicant will not unjustly discriminate among its customers as is prohibited under Section 392.200 RSMo.
- 8. Applicant is a competitive reseller of long distance telecommunications services and thus requests competitive classification pursuant to Section 392.361 RSMo and 4 CSR 240-2.060(6)(A). Applicant believes its proposed services will be subject to sufficient competition to justify a lesser degree of regulation. Further, when granted the Certificate requested herein, Applicant will be competing with other telecommunications companies in Missouri offering the same or similar services as Applicant.

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9. Applicant is willing to comply with all applicable Commission rules, except those which are specifically waived by the Commission. Consistent with the Commission's treatment of other certificated competitive interexchange telecommunications companies, Applicant requests that the following statutes and regulations be waived for Applicant and its interexchange service offerings:

Statutes:

392.210.2 - Uniform System of Accounts
392.240.1 - Just & reasonable rates
392.270 - Ascertain property values
392.280 - Depreciation accounts
392.290 - Issuance of securities
392.300.2 - Acquisition of stock
392.310 - Issuance of stock and debt
392.320 - Stock dividend payment
392.330 - Issuance of securities, debts & notes
392.340 - Reorganizations

<u>Rules</u>:

4 CSR 240-3.545 (2)(C) - Rate schedules to be posted at central office
4 CSR 240-10.020 - Depreciation fund income
4 CSR 240-30.040 - Uniform system of accounts
4 CSR 240-33.030 - Inform customers of lowest price

- 10. Applicant submits that the public interest will be served by Commission approval of this application because Applicant's proposed services will create and enhance competition and expand customer service options, and offer 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.
- 11. The Company will not resell its services to other telecommunications companies.

- 12. Applicant is not aware of any pending action or final unsatisfied judgments or decisions against it from any state or federal agency or court which involve customer service or rates, which action, judgment or decision has occurred within three (3) years of the date of the application.
- 13. No annual reports or assessment fees are overdue from Applicant.

WHEREFORE, Applicant, Ren-Tel Telecom, Inc., respectfully requests that the Commission 1) grant it a certificate of service authority to provide interexchange telecommunications services as requested herein; 2) classify the Company and its proposed services as competitive; 3) grant waivers of statutes and regulations as requested herein; and 4) approve its separately submitted tariff.

Respectfully submitted,

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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 and the General Counsel's office on this 19th day of June 2003.

Mary Ann (Garr