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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Joint Application of Talton )  
Holdings, Inc, Talton STC, Inc. and Security )  
Telecom Corporation for an Order Authorizing the )  
Sale, Transfer and Assignment of Certain Rights, ) Case No. TM-97-527  
Properties and Assets from Security Telecom )  
Corporation to Talton STC, Inc., a Wholly-Owned )  
Subsidiary Corporation Formed by Talton Holdings, )  
Inc., and in Connection Therewith Certain Other )  
Related Matters. )

**ORDER CANCELING CERTIFICATE**

On June 10, 1997, Talton Holdings, Inc., Talton STC, Inc. (Talton STC) and Security Telecom Corporation filed a joint application requesting approval of the sale of certain assets to Talton STC and the Commission issued its Order Authorizing Sale of Certain Assets and Granting Certificate of Service on January 8, 1998. Talton STC, Inc. filed a Application to Cancel Certificate of Service Authority to Provide Intrastate Interexchange Telecommunications Service on February 23, 1998, asking the Commission to cancel the interexchange certificate which it had been issued by the Commission on January 8 in this case. Talton STC, Inc. stated its current business plans only involved providing payphone services to inmates in Missouri, did not require its current interexchange certificate, and it wished to have its certificate canceled. Talton STC, Inc. also requested the Commission grant it a certificate of service authority to provide payphone services in Missouri. This requested was addressed in Case No. TA-98-368 and therefore does not need to be addressed in this order.

The Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed a Memorandum on October 9 regarding the proposed cancellation of Talton STC, Inc.'s certificate. Staff stated it had reviewed Talton STC, Inc.'s application and had no objection to the Commission issuing an order canceling the certificate previously issued to Talton STC, Inc.

Section 392.410 gives the Commission authority to cancel a telecommunications company's certificate of service authority. The Commission has reviewed Talton STC, Inc.'s application, Staff's recommendation, and the official file and finds that the interexchange certificate granted to Talton STC, Inc. in Case No. TM-97-527 shall be canceled.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That the interexchange certificate granted to Talton STC, Inc. in Case No. TM-97-527 is canceled.
2. That this order shall become effective on December 17, 1998.
3. That this case shall be closed on December 18, 1998.

**BY THE COMMISSION**

*Dale Hardy Roberts*

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Shelly A. Register, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.120(1) (November 30, 1995) and Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 7th day of December, 1998.

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