

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the matter of the Application of Startec)
Global Operating Company for a Certificate of)
Service Authority to Provide Intrastate)
Interexchange Telecommunications Services in) Case No. TA-2007-0366
the State of Missouri, for Competitive)
Classification, and for Approval of Tariff)
Adoption)

In the matter of the Application of Startec)
Global Operating Company for Approval of)
the Merger with Startec Global Licensing)
Company and the Resulting Transfer of)
Missouri Customer Assets; Waiver of) Case No. TM-2007-0367
Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-33.150; and to)
Cancel the Certificate of Service Authority of)
Startec Global Licensing Company to Provide)
Telecommunications Services in Missouri)

STAFF STATUS REPORT

COMES NOW the Staff of the Public Service Commission, and states:

1. On March 29, 2007 Startec Global Operating Company (Applicant) filed two applications: one seeking authority to provide telecommunications services (Case No. TA-2007-0366) and one seeking approval of its merger with Startec Global Licensing Company and the transfer of its long distance customer base and associated customer account information (Case No. TM-2007-0367). The Commission has issued orders directing Staff to notify the Commission of the date that Staff will file a response or recommendation, by no later than April 17, 2007 for the former case or April 18, 2007 for the latter case.

2. Before Staff can complete its recommendation, it has requested additional information from the Applicant. The Applicant has indicated that it will provide the information to Staff as soon as it can be prepared and submitted. The information Staff has requested will be filed in Case No. TM-2007-0367. Staff intends to file its recommendation as soon as it is able to

process the information it will receive from the company, and anticipates it will be able to do so within five business days of the date the information is filed in this case file by the Applicant. Staff notes that the Commission has granted the company's motion for expedited treatment and the company's request for approval of the merger and transfer no later than May 6, 2007, and commits to filing its submission as soon as possible.

3. Staff is considering the applications jointly, as the Commission should not approve the merger and transfer of customers without granting the company receiving those customers authority to provide telecommunications services in Missouri. Therefore, Staff will file its recommendation in both cases at the same time.

WHEREFORE, Staff states that it intends to file its recommendation in both matters within five business days of the date the Applicant files additional information in this case file.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or e-mailed to all counsel of record this 17th day of April 2007.

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