

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

In the Matter of the Application of IBFA)	
Acquisition Company, LLC for a Certificate)	
of Service Authority to Provide Competitive)	Case No. TA-2005-0451
Intrastate Interexchange and Non-Switched)	Tariff No. YX-2005-1067
Local Exchange Telecommunications)	
Services in the State of Missouri and for)	
Competitive Classification)	

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

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

1. In the attached Memorandum, labeled Appendix A, the Staff recommends that the Missouri Public Service Commission grant IBFA Acquisition Company, LLC (Applicant) a certificate of service authority to provide intrastate, interexchange telecommunications services as well as to provide local exchange telecommunications services restricted to dedicated, private line services. The Commission shall grant an application for a certificate of telecommunications service authority upon a finding that the grant of authority is in the public interest. §§ 392.430 and 392.440 RSMo. (2000).

2. Staff also recommends that the Commission classify the Applicant and the services it proposes to offer in its *Application* as competitive. The Commission may classify a telecommunications provider or its services as competitive if the Commission determines it is subject to sufficient competition to justify a lesser degree of regulation. §392.361.4. All the services a competitive company provides must be classified as competitive. §392.361.3.

3. Staff further recommends that the Commission grant the waivers listed in the *Notice of Applications*. The Commission may waive the application of its rules and certain statutes if the Commission determines that waiver is consistent with the purposes of Chapter 392. §§ 392.185, 392.361.5 and 392.420.

4. Finally, Staff recommends that the Commission grant approval of the Applicant's proposed tariff, P.S.C. Mo. Tariff No. 1, with a proposed effective date of July 11, 2005.

WHEREFORE, Staff recommends that the Commission grant IBFA Acquisition Company, LLC a certificate of service authority to provide intrastate, interexchange telecommunications services as well as to provide local exchange telecommunications services restricted to dedicated, private line services; grant it the requested competitive classification; grant the waivers listed in the Commission's Notice of Application; and approve its proposed tariff P.S.C. Mo. Tariff No. 1, with a proposed effective date of July 11, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

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