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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 13th
day of June, 1997.

In the Matter of the Tariff of)
Norlight Telecommunications,)
Inc. Formerly Known as NorLight,)
Inc. Designed to Reflect Its)
Change of Name.)

CASE NO. TO-97-461

ORDER ACKNOWLEDGING CHANGE OF NAME AND APPROVING TARIFF

Norlight Telecommunications, Inc. filed a letter with the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) on April 21, 1997, indicating that its name had changed from NorLight, Inc. (NorLight) to Norlight Telecommunications, Inc. (Norlight Telecom). In conjunction with its letter, Norlight Telecom subsequently submitted a copy of its Amended Certificate of Authority of a Foreign Corporation from the Missouri Secretary of State's Office on June 5. In addition, Norlight Telecom filed a new tariff reflecting the change in the corporate name of the company, as well as the addition of new services and restructured rates. The new tariff bears an effective date of May 21, but the effective date was subsequently extended on several occasions to the present effective date of June 19.

On June 10, the Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed a memorandum containing its recommendation. Staff notes that Norlight Telecom filed a copy of its Amended Certificate of Authority of a Foreign Corporation from the Missouri Secretary of State's Office, and filed a new tariff containing the new corporate name. Staff indicates that the new tariff is intended to replace Norlight's entire tariff with a new tariff reflecting the company's new corporate name, Norlight Telecom, on each tariff sheet.

In addition, Staff explains that the new tariff proposes to revise Norlight Telecom's service offerings, which will result in both rate increases and rate decreases. Staff states that according to company officials, it only has two customers in the State of Missouri, and both were notified of the proposed changes by direct mail notices. Both of the affected customers will experience rate increases ranging from 34% to 74%. The new tariff also proposes to add new definitions and make textual revisions. Staff notes that companies classified as competitive are permitted to increase rates after ten days' notice to customers and the Commission, in accordance with § 392.500, RSMo. 1994. Rate decreases are permitted after seven days' notice to the Commission. Staff indicates that it believes Norlight Telecom has complied with these requirements.

Staff adds that Norlight Telecom submitted substitute sheets on June 5 at the request of Staff, and also extended the effective date of the new tariff on several occasions to the current effective date of June 19, to allow time for customer notification. Staff states that it has no objections to the proposal as amended, and recommends that the Commission approve the new tariff.

The Commission has reviewed the official case file and Staff's recommendation, and finds it is in the public interest to maintain an accurate record of the name under which utilities are providing service. This will enable the Commission to better discharge its regulatory responsibilities, and will enable rate payers to ascertain the true identity of the regulated utility from which they receive service. The Commission further finds the new tariff reflecting the company's change of corporate name, along with the Amended Certificate of Authority of a Foreign Corporation, will enable the Commission to maintain accurate records with respect to this company. The Commission thus finds that it

would be both reasonable and appropriate to acknowledge the change in the corporate name of the company from NorLight, Inc. to Norlight Telecommunications, Inc., and approve the new tariff reflecting the change in the corporate name of the company. In addition, the Commission finds that Norlight Telecom has complied with the provisions of § 392.500, RSMo 1994.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Commission hereby acknowledges the change in the corporate name of the company from NorLight, Inc. to Norlight Telecommunications, Inc.

2. That the certificate of service authority previously issued to NorLight, Inc. on March 1, 1996 in Case No. TA-96-145 is hereby amended to reflect the change in the company's corporate name from NorLight, Inc. to Norlight Telecommunications, Inc.

3. That the following new tariff filed by Norlight Telecommunications, Inc. on April 21, 1997 is hereby approved to become effective on June 19, 1997:

Missouri Tariff PSC No. 1
Original Title Sheet
Original Sheets 1-49

4. That this order shall become effective on June 19, 1997.

BY THE COMMISSION



Cecil I. Wright
Executive Secretary

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Crumpton, Murray and
Drainer, CC., Concur.
Zobrist, Chm., Lumpe, CC., Absent.

ALJ: Bensavage