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

The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission		
	Complainant,	) )
v.		) File No. TC-2013-0194
Halo Wireless, Inc., Transcom Enhanced Services, Inc.		) ) )
	Respondents.	) )

## ORDER GIVING NOTICE OF CONTESTED CASE AND ESTABLISHING A DEADLINE FOR ANSWERS

Issue Date: October 22, 2012 Effective date: October 22, 2012

The Commission is giving notice of a complaint and contested case, and directing the Respondents to file answers. A copy of the complaint is attached.

On October 16, 2012, the Commission's Staff filed this complaint. A copy of the complaint is enclosed. The filing of a complaint requires the Commission to set a hearing.<sup>1</sup> The requirement of a hearing on such issues signifies a contested case.<sup>2</sup> A contested case is a formal hearing procedure, but it allows for waiver of procedural formalities and a decision without a hearing,<sup>3</sup> including by stipulation and agreement.<sup>4</sup> The Commission's rules of discovery are set forth at 4 CSR 240-2.090.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Section 386.390.5, RSMo 2000.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Section 536.010(4), RSMo Cum. Supp. 2010.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Section 536.060, RSMo 2000.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 4 CSR 240-2.115.

## THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The Commission's Data Center shall send, by certified mail, a copy of this notice and order, and a copy of the complaint, to the legal departments of all of the Respondents.
- 2. The Respondents shall file answers to the complaint no later than November 21, 2012.
  - 3. This order is effective upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION

Steven C. Reed Secretary

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Harold Stearley, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 388.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of October, 2012.