

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
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CASE NO: TD-2001-12

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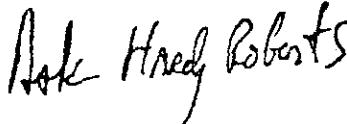
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Enclosed find certified copy of an ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,



**Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Cancellation of)
the Certificate of Service Authority) Case No. TD-2001-12
and Accompanying Tariff of Providian)
Group, L.L.C.)

ORDER CANCELING CERTIFICATE OF
SERVICE AUTHORITY AND CANCELING TARIFF

The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) filed a motion on July 10, 2000, asking the Commission to cancel the certificate of service authority granted to Providian Group, L.L.C. (Providian), and accompanying tariff. Staff's motion stated that the Commission granted Providian a certificate of service authority to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in Case No. TA-97-261 on February 17, 1997.

Commission rule 4 CSR 240-10.080(1) requires "all public utilities subject to the jurisdiction of the Missouri Public Service Commission" to file an annual report with the Commission by April 15 of each year. 4 CSR 240-10.080(1), Effective October 30, 1996. Staff stated that, in addition, the Commission directed Providian to file a "Missouri-specific annual report pursuant to Section 392.310, RSMo, and Section 392.390.1, RSMo." Staff further stated that the terms of the certificate also required the applicant to keep the Commission informed of its current address and telephone number.

Staff stated that Providian did not file an annual report for 1998. Staff also stated that Providian's 1999 annual report form was returned by the post office marked undeliverable. Staff stated that it contacted the Missouri Secretary of State and was informed that Providian had changed its name to Group Advantage Providers, L.L.C., on January 7, 1998. Staff stated that Providian did not notify the Commission regarding the name change.

Staff served a copy of its Motion to Open Case and Cancel Certificate of Service Authority upon Providian by sending a copy of the motion to Judith A. Rau, Attorney at Law, Rau & Rau, 119 E. Mill, Waterloo, Illinois 62298, Lance J.M. Steinhart, Attorney at Law, 6455 East Johns Crossing, Suite 285, Duluth, Georgia 30155 and Jayme Amine, CEO for Providian, 10175 States Ave., Suite 200, Fountain Valley, California 92708 on July 10, 2000. A copy of the motion was also served upon the Office of the Public Counsel on July 10, 2000.

On August 30, 2000, Staff notified the Commission that the copy of the motion mailed to Jayme Amine, CEO of Providian, was returned by the United States Postal Service (USPS) as undeliverable and marked "Unable to Forward." Staff also reported that the USPS returned the receipt showing delivery upon Providian's attorney. No objections to Staff's request were received.

Section 392.410.5, RSMo (Cum. Supp. 1999), gives the Commission authority to cancel a telecommunications company's certificate of service authority. The Commission has reviewed Staff's motions and the official file and finds that the certificate to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications services granted to Providian in Case

No. TA-97-261 on February 17, 1997, and its accompanying tariff, shall be canceled.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the certificate of service authority to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications services granted to Providian Group, L.L.C., in Case No. TA-97-261 on February 17, 1997, and its accompanying tariff, is canceled.
2. That this order shall become effective on November 3, 2000.
3. That this case may be closed after November 4, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(S E A L)

Shelly A. Register, Regulatory Law
Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to 4 Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 24th day of October, 2000.

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and
I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City,
Missouri, this 24th day of Oct. 2000.



A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Dale Hardy Roberts". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath.

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge