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Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts Missouri Public Service Commission P.O. Box 360 Jefferson City, MO 65102

Missouri Public Service Commission

RE: Case No. TD-2003-0582

In the Matter of the Cancellation of the Certificate of Service Authority and Accompanying Tariff of ConnectAmerica, Inc.

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing, on behalf of ConnectAmerica, Inc., please find an original and five (5) copies of a **Motion for Extension of Time** in the above-styled matter.

Please see that this filing is brought to the attention of the appropriate Commission personnel.

Thank you for your cooperation and assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

William D. Steinmeier

Enclosures

CC:

General Counsel

Office of Public Counsel Ms. EllenAnn Sands

Ms. Mary Ann (Garr) Young

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BEFORE THE MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION STATE OF MISSOURI Service Commission

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MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

NOW COMES ConnectAmerica, Inc. ("CAI") through undersigned counsel and requests additional time in which to provide certain information and documentation required by the Commission. In support of its Motion, CAI states the following:

- 1. On June 30, 2003, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission filed a motion to cancel the certificate of service authority and accompanying tariff of CAI for failure to file an annual report or to advise the MoPSC of a change of address of its corporate offices when it moved from 1841 Centre Point Drive to 1842 Centre Point Drive in Naperville, Illinois.
- Staff filed amended motions on July 7, 2003 and July 11, 2003, acknowledging that CAI had, in fact, late-filed its 2002 annual report on May 23, 2003 and shown the change of address thereon.
- 3. However, Staff also observed in its amended motions that CAI had been "administratively dissolved" by the Missouri Secretary of State's Office on August 28, 2002 for failure to file an annual report with that office.
- On July 7, 2003, the Commission issued its Order Directing Filing in this
 matter, directing CAI to file a Certificate of Good Standing, or other
 evidence of good standing, from the Missouri Secretary of State on or
 before July 27, 2003.

- 5. On September 17, 2003, the Commission issued its Second Order Directing Filing in this matter, directing CAI to show cause, on or before September 29, 2003, as to why its certificate and tariff should not be canceled.
- As evidenced previously, CAI has filed the subject annual report necessary
 to bring itself into good standing with the Missouri Public Service
 Commission.
- 7. Having discovered its Missouri Secretary of State certification has lapsed, CAI has begun the process of filing the annual reports and franchise taxes necessary to bring CAI into compliance with the Missouri Secretary of State's Office. However, CAI has been unable to complete that process as of this date.
- 8. Because of the detailed tax returns and information required on the delinquent filings, CAI is requesting an additional 45-day period to become compliant with the Missouri Secretary of State.
- CAI regrets these lapses in administrative and regulatory compliance, and commits to do its utmost to maintain all such compliances in a timely manner going forward.

WHEREFORE, for the above referenced reasons, ConnectAmerica, Inc. requests that this Motion for Extension of Time be granted for an additional forty-five (45) day period to allow for the processing of CAI's corporate reinstatement with the Missouri Secretary of State and filing of same with this Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

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ATTORNEYS FOR CONNECTAMERICA, INC.

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a copy of this document has been hand delivered or mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid, to the Office of the General Counsel of the Missouri Public Service Commission, and to the Office of Public Counsel, on this 29th day of September 2003.

William D. Steinmeier