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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.

Application of Nexus Communications, Inc. d/b/a TSI for Certificate of Service Authority to Provide Intrastate Interexchange and Non-Switched Local Exchange Telecommunications Services in Missouri

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Nexus Communications, Inc. d/b/a TSI, please find an original and five (5) copies of an "APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE AUTHORITY AND FOR COMPETITIVE CLASSIFICATION."

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, P.C.

**Enclosures** 

CC:

General Counsel Office of Public Counsel Patrick D. Crocker Mary Ann (Garr) Young



# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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# APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE AUTHORITY AND FOR COMPETITIVE CLASSIFICATION

Comes now Nexus Communications, Inc. d/b/a TSI ("Nexus" or "Applicant"), by its undersigned counsel, and hereby submits this Application for certificate of service authority provide interexchange and non-switched local exchange telecommunications services in the State of Missouri, and for competitive classification, pursuant to Sections 392.361, 392.410, 392.420, 392.430, 392.440 RSMo, and 4 CSR 240-2.060 and 4 CSR 240-3.510. Applicant respectfully requests the Commission issue an order that: (1) grants Applicant a certificate of service authority to provide intrastate interexchange and non-switched local exchange telecommunications services pursuant to Chapter 392 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri; (2) grants competitive status to Applicant pursuant to Section 392.361 RSMo; and (3) waives certain Commission rules and statutory provisions pursuant to Sections 392.420 and 392.361 RSMo. In support of its application, Nexus states as follows:

1. Applicant Nexus Communications, Inc. is a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Ohio with its principal place of business at: 3629 Cleveland Avenue, Suite C, Columbus, Ohio (OH)

43224. The character of business performed by Applicant is telecommunications services. A copy of Applicant's Certificate of Authority from the Missouri Secretary of State as required by 4 CSR 240-2.060(1)(C) is attached to this Application as Exhibit A.

2. All inquiries, correspondence, communications, pleadings, notices, orders and decisions relating to this case should be addressed to:

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Applicant's contact person for regulatory matters after approval of this application is:

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Applicant's toll-free number for customer inquiries and service complaints is: 1-866-392-7123.

- The Company proposes to provide resold and facilities-based switched long distance interexchange services, including prepaid services, and non-switched private line services, to business and residential customers on a statewide basis.
- 4. The Company is a telecommunications company which possesses the technical and managerial expertise to provide the services it proposes.
- 5. The Applicant also possesses the necessary financial resources to provide the requested services.
- 6. Applicant requests a temporary waiver of 4 CSR 240-3.510(1)(C), which requires that an application for a certificate of service authority to provide interexchange, local exchange or basic local exchange service shall include a proposed tariff with a forty-five (45) day effective date. Applicant will promptly file a tariff with a 45-day effective date as soon as possible.
- 7. Applicant will not unjustly discriminate among its customers as is prohibited under Section 392.200 RSMo.
- 8. Applicant is a competitive provider of long distance telecommunications services and thus requests competitive classification pursuant to Section 392.361 RSMo and 4 CSR 240-2.060(4). Applicant believes its proposed services will be subject to sufficient competition to justify a lesser degree of regulation. Further, when granted the Certificate requested herein, Applicant will be competing with other telecommunications companies in Missouri offering the same or similar services as Applicant.

9. Applicant is willing to comply with all applicable Commission rules, except those which are specifically waived by the Commission. Consistent with the Commission's treatment of other certificated competitive interexchange and non-switched local exchange telecommunications companies, Applicant requests that the following statutes and regulations be waived for Applicant and its interexchange and non-switched local exchange service offerings:

#### Statutes:

392.210.2 -	Uniform System of Accounts
392.240.1 -	Just & reasonable rates
392.270 -	Ascertain property values
392.280 -	Depreciation accounts
392.290 -	Issuance of securities
392.300.2 -	Acquisition of stock
392.310 -	Issuance of stock and debt
392.320 -	Stock dividend payment
392.330 -	Issuance of securities, debts & notes
392.340 -	Reorganizations

#### Rules:

- 4 CSR 240-3.545 (2)(C) Rate schedules to be posted at central office
  4 CSR 240-10.020 Depreciation fund income
  4 CSR 240-30.040 Uniform system of accounts
  4 CSR 240-33.030 Inform customers of lowest price
- 10. Applicant submits that the public interest will be served by Commission approval of this application because Applicant's proposed services will create and enhance competition and expand customer service options, and offer service options consistent with the legislative goals set forth in the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 and Chapter 392 RSMo. Prompt approval of this application also will expand the availability of innovative, high quality, and reliable telecommunications services within the State of Missouri.
- 12. Applicant is not aware of any pending action or final unsatisfied judgments or decisions against it from any state or federal agency or court which involve

customer service or rates, which action, judgment or decision has occurred within three (3) years of the date of the application.

13. No annual reports or assessment fees are overdue from Applicant.

WHEREFORE, Applicant, Nexus Communications Inc., d/b/a TSI, respectfully requests that the Commission (1) grant it a certificate of service authority to provide interexchange and non-switched local exchange telecommunications services as requested herein; (2) classify the Company and its proposed services as competitive; and (3) grant waivers of statutes and regulations as requested herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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COUNSEL FOR NEXUS COMMUNICATIONS, INC. D/B/A TSI

Dated: November 7, 2003

#### 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 Public Counsel and the General Counsel of the Missouri Public Service Commission on this 7th day of November 2003.

William D. Steinmeier

# **NEXUS COMMUNICATIONS, INC. D/B/A TSI**

# **Exhibit A**

Missouri Secretary of State Certificate



# Matt Blunt Secretary of State CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

WHEREAS,

NEXUS COMMUNICATIONS, INC. F00549710

using in Missouri the name

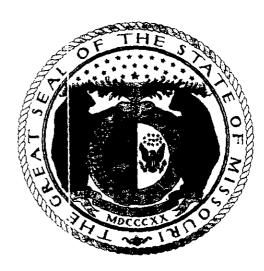
NEXUS COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

has complied with the General and Business Corporation Law which governs Foreign Corporations; by filing in the office of the Secretary of State of Missouri authenticated evidence of its incorporation and good standing under the Laws of the State of Ohio.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MATT BLUNT, Secretary of State of the State of Missouri, do hereby certify that said corporation is from this date duly authorized to transact business in this State, and is entitled to all rights and privileges granted to Foreign Corporation; under the General and Business Corporation Law of Missouri.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand and imprinted the GREAT SEAL of the State of Missouri, on this, the 22nd day of October, 2003.





# **VERIFICATION**

County of Franklin	,
State of Ohio	,

#### VERIFICATION

I, Steven Fenker, Vice President of Nexus Communications, Inc. d/b/a TSI, being duly sworn according to law, hereby depose and say that I am an officer of Nexus Communications, Inc. d/b/a TSI; that I am authorized to and do make this verification on behalf of the Applicant herein; and that the facts set forth in the above Application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Signature:

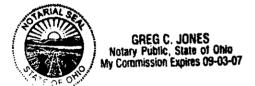
NAME:

Steven Fenker

TITLE:

Vice President

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 5 day of Nov, 2003 2003.



For the County of Franklin

For the State of Ohio

My commission expires: 9 - 3 - 07