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Missouri Public  
Service Commission

Cully Dale  
Missouri Public Service Commission  
200 Madison Street  
Governor Office Building  
Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

**Re: TM-2008-0146; Tariff No. YX-2008-0531; In the Matter of Joint Application of Startec Global Operating Company and Americatel Corporation for Approval of Pro Forma Restructuring**

Dear Mr. Dale:

On March 20, 2008, the Commission entered an order (i) approving the merger of Startec Global Operating Company ("Startec") and Americatel Corporation ("Americatel," together with Startec, the "Parties"), (ii) recognizing the adoption of a fictitious corporate name, and (iii) approving a tariff to reflect the name change to be effective on March 31, 2008. The Parties notified the Commission on March 28, 2008, that the Merger would not occur at that time and requested that the existing Startec tariff and certificate remain in effect until they further notified the Commission that the transaction had consummated, which they expected to occur on or about April 30, 2008.<sup>1</sup> The Parties hereby inform the Commission that they do not expect to consummate the Merger at that time, and request that Startec's existing operating authority and tariff remain in effect until further notification.

As a result of the current difficulties in the credit market, the Parties have not yet been able to finalize an amended and restated credit agreement that would consolidate an existing credit arrangement to which Startec is a party, on the one hand, with an existing credit arrangement to which Americatel and its affiliate Matrix Telecom, Inc. ("Matrix") are parties, on the other. To proceed with the Merger at this time, would significantly restrict the Parties' ability to complete the refinancing negotiations. The Parties remain committed to merging as soon as they are able to complete such a consolidated financing arrangement and will keep the Commission apprised of the status.

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<sup>1</sup> Letter from John Ayres to Cully Dale, Docket No. TM-2008-0146, Tariff No. YX-2008-0531 (March 28, 2008).

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In addition, Americatel has notified the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") of this change pursuant to the rules governing the sale of carrier's customer base, 47 C.F.R. § 64.1120(e)(2). The Parties will comply with any additional FCC customer notice requirements resulting from this delay.

Enclosed herein for filing on behalf of the Parties, please find the original and eight (8) copies of this filing. Please stamp and return to me in the enclosed envelope the copy provided for that purpose. Should you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact my colleague, Stefanie Alfonso-Frank at (202) 637-1020.

Very truly yours,

  
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cc: Lisa Mahaney