BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

) <u>File No. TN-2023-0140</u>
Tariff Nos. JI-2023-0070,
) YI-2023-0072, YI-2023-0073,
YI-2023-0074, YI-2023-0075,
YI-2023-0076, YI-2023-0077,
YI-2023-0078, YI-2023-0080,
YI-2023-0081, YI-2023-0082,
YI-2023-0083, YI-2023-0084,
YI-2023-0085, YX-2023-0071,
and YX-2023-0079

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), by and through the undersigned counsel, and hereby respectfully submits this Staff Recommendation.

- 1. On October 21, 2022, the above-listed regulated telephone companies (referred herein collectively as "the Companies") filed a Registration of Fictitious Name indicating their intent to adopt the fictitious name Rally Networks and filed updated tariff sheets reflecting the new name the same day. On October 27, 2022, the Companies filed supplemental documents to comply with 20 CSR 4240-31.015(2).
 - 2. The Company has filed all requisite documentation.
- 3. Rule 20 CSR 4240-28.011(2) provides that any company with a certificate or registration that changes its name shall provide advance notice to the Commission of the name change and lays out the methods and requirements for such notice. In lieu of a Memorandum, Staff herein states that the Company has complied with the rule.

- 4. No entities intervened to oppose the name changes.
- 5. S-Go Local is delinquent in filing an annual report for 2021 with the Missouri Commission; however, no other Companies are delinquent in any required filings with the Commission.
- 6. Tariffs were submitted with the Notice, effective October 31, 2022. Additional tariffs were filed on October 27, 2022, effective November 6, 2022. Staff has reviewed the tariff sheets and recommends the Commission approve the tariffs or allow them to take effect by operation of law.

WHEREFORE, Staff recommends that the Commission recognize the adoption of the registration of fictitious name of Rally Networks for New Florence Telephone Company d/b/a Missouricom, New London Telephone Company d/b/a Missouricom, Stoutland Telephone Company d/b/a Missouricom, Orchard Telephone Company d/b/a Missouricom, Farber Telephone Company d/b/a Missouricom, Seneca Telephone Company, Goodman Telephone Company, Ozark Telephone Company, S-Go Leasing Company d/b/a S-Go Local, S-Go Leasing Company d/b/a S-GO Long Distance; permit the revised tariff sheets to take effect; and grant such other and further relief as it finds just and reasonable in the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by electronic mail, or First Class United States Postal Mail, postage prepaid, on this 7th day of November, 2022, to all counsel of record.

/s/ Carolyn H. Kerr