

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of Missouri Telecom, Inc.            )  
Cancellation of Certificate                            )

**File No. TD-2023-0446**  
Tariff No. YX-2004-0486

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) and for its *Staff Recommendation* states:

1. The Commission previously granted certificates of service authority to provide basic local exchange and non-switched local exchange telecommunications services in Case No. TA-99-549 on September 21, 1999. The Commission also previously granted a certificate of service authority to the Company to provide interexchange telecommunications services in Case No. XA-2004-0176 on November 18, 2003.

2. The Company filed a letter on June 30, 2023, asking to cancel its certificates to provide basic local and non-switched local exchange and interchange telecommunications services and all applicable tariffs.

3. The Commission has the authority to cancel a telecommunications certificate, or registration, pursuant to Section 392.410.5 RSMo 2000, which provides “[a]ny certificate of service authority may be altered or modified by the commission after notice and hearing, upon its own motion or upon application of the person or company affected.”

4. The Commission need not hold a hearing, if, after proper notice and opportunity to intervene, no party requests such a hearing. *State ex rel. Rex Deffenderfer Enterprises, Inc. v. Public Service Commission*, 776 S.W.2d 494 (Mo. App. W.D. 1989).

**WHEREFORE**, Staff respectfully recommends the Commission cancel the certificates of service authority to provide basic local exchange and non-switched local exchange telecommunications services and the certificate of service authority to the Company to provide interexchange telecommunications services of Missouri Telecom, Inc., and to grant such other and further relief as is just in the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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