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VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

Ms. Colleen Dale Chief ALJ and Executive Secretary Missouri Public Service Commission 200 Madison Street, Suite 100 Jefferson City, MO 65102

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Missouri Public Service Commission

Re: Application for Nexus Communications, Inc. d/b/a TSI for Designation as a Telecommunications Carrier Eligible for Federal Lifeline and Linkup Programs

Dear Ms. Dale:

I hereby seek to appear in Nexus Communications, Inc. d/b/a TSI's Application for Designation as a Telecommunications Carrier Eligible for Federal Lifeline and Linkup Programs Within the State of Missouri.

Enclosed please find an original and eight (8) copies of the Acknowledgement Receipt of \$100.00 as required by Rule 6.01(m) for myself from the Clerk of the Supreme Court along with the Application for Designation as a Telecommunications Carrier Eligible for Federal Lifeline and Linkup Programs Within the State of Missouri.

I have also enclosed an extra copy of this letter to be date stamped and returned to me in the enclosed, self-addressed, postage prepaid envelope.

If you have any questions or if I may provide you with any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Please note that this Application is being submitted by myself and Judith A. Rau, Esq., Missouri Counsel, Bar # 24856.

Respectfully submitted,

Lance J.M. Steinhart GA Bar No. 678222 Attorney for Nexus Communications, Inc. d/b/a TSI

Enclosures cc: Steven Fenker

Michael Dandino, Office of Public Counsel

General Counsel, Missouri Public Service Commission



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This will hereby acknowledge receipt of \$100 as required by Rule 6.01(m) for Lance J.M. Steinhart appearing in Nexus Communications, Inc. to be filed with the Missouri Public Service Commission.

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSON OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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Missouri Public Service Commission

In the matter of the Application of Nexus Communications, Inc. d/b/a TSI For Designation as an Telecommunications Carrier Eligible for Federal Universal Service Support pursuant to Section 254 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Case No.

APPLICATION FOR DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER FOR FEDERAL LIEFLINE AND LINKUP PROGRAMS

Comes now Nexus Communications, Inc. d/b/a TSI ("Nexus" or "Applicant"), by its undersigned counsel, and hereby applies pursuant to Sections 214 and 254 of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (FTA), for designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier for universal service support (ETC) for federal lifeline and linkup programs under the provisions of 47 CFR 54.201(d) and for certification of this designation to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). In support of its Application, Nexus states as follows:

I. Background

1. Nexus is an Ohio corporation with principal offices located at 3629 Cleveland Ave., Suite C, Columbus, OH 43224. The character of business performed by Applicant is telecommunications services. Nexus is authorized to provide basic local exchange service in Missouri pursuant to the Commission's <u>Order Granting Certificate to Provide Basic Local and Local Exchange Telecommunications Services</u> issued January 31, 2004, in Case No. CA-2004-0204. A Certificate of Good Standing from the Missouri Secretary of State¹ was filed with the Commission in CA-2004-0204, and is incorporated herein by reference pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.060(G). Nexus is also authorized to provide interexchange services in Missouri pursuant to the Commission's <u>Order Approving Interexchange an Nonswitched Local Exchange Certificates of</u> <u>Service Authority</u> issued on December 26, 2003, in Case No. XA-2004-0214.

The name and address of Applicant's in-state attorney is:

Judith A. Rau, Esq. Rau & Rau 119 E. Mill Street Waterloo, Illinois 62298

2. Nexus has no pending actions or final unsatisfied judgments or decisions against Applicant in any state, federal agency, or court which involve customer service or rates for which action, judgment, or decision has occurred within three (3) years of the date of this Application. Nexus does not have any overdue annual reports or fees owed to the Missouri Public Service Commission.

3. Nexus hereby petitions the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") for designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") in certain SBC exchanges as described herein ("Designated Area") for the purpose of receiving federal universal service support. As demonstrated below, Nexus satisfies all of the statutory and regulatory requirements for designation as an ETC in the Designated Area. Furthermore, designation of Nexus in the Designated Area will serve the public interest. Accordingly, Nexus respectfully requests that the Commission grant this Petition.

4. As set forth in Section 214(e)(2) of the Act, the Commission "shall upon its own motion or upon request designate a common carrier that meets the requirements of [Section 2 14(e)(1)] as an eligible telecommunications carrier for a service area designated by the State commission."²

¹ Nexus Communications, Inc., was incorporated in the State of Ohio on 9/11/2000 (Charter/Organization ID: 1180608) and was authorized to conduct business in the state of Missouri as a foreign corporation on 10/22/2003 (Charter No. F00549710).

 2 47 U.S.C. Sec. 214(e)(2); see 47 C.F.R. 5 54.201(b) (FCC Rules citing the Act's requirements).

Upon designation as an ETC, the carrier shall be eligible to receive universal support in accordance with Section 254 of the act.³

3. The requirements for designation as an ETC set forth in Section 2 14(e)(1) are that the carrier must:

(A) offer the services that are supported by Federal universal support mechanisms under section 254(c), either using its own facilities or a combination of its own facilities and resale of another carrier's services (including the services offered by another eligible telecommunications carrier); and

(B) advertise the availability of such services and the charges therefore using the media of general distribution.⁴

II. Nexus Satisfies the Requirements for Designation as an ETC to Serve the Designated Area

4. Nexus is a common carrier as that term is defined in the Act.⁵ The Company provides competitive local telecommunications services in the state of Missouri in accordance with Missouri PSC Tariff No. 1.

5. Nexus offers all of the supported services enumerated under Section 254(c) using facilities obtained as UNEs from SBC. According to FCC Rules, facilities obtained as UNEs satisfy the requirement that an ETC provide the supported services using either its own facilities or a combination of its own facilities and resale

47 U.S.C. Sec. 214(e)(1).

⁴ *Id.*

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⁵ See 47 U.S.C. Sec. 153(10) ("the term 'common carrier' or 'carrier' means any person engaged as a common carrier for hire, in interstate or foreign communication by wire or radio or in interstate or foreign radio transmission of energy \dots).

of another carrier's services.⁶ Accordingly, the Company satisfies the requirement set forth in Section 214(e)(l)(A).

6. The services that are supported by Federal universal support mechanisms under section 254(c) are enumerated in the rules of the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") at 47 C.F.R. Sec. 54.101(a)(1)-(9). These services are:

- a) Voice grade access to the public switched network. "Voice grade access" is defined as a functionality that enables a user of telecommunications services to transmit voice communications, including signaling the network that the caller wishes to place a call, and to receive voice communications, including receiving a signal indicating there is an incoming call. For the purposes of this part, bandwidth for voice grade access should be, at a minimum, 300 to 3,000 Hertz;
- b) Local usage. "Local usage" means an amount of minutes of use of exchange service, prescribed by the FCC, provided free of charge to end users;
- c) Dual tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent.
 "Dual tone multi-frequency" (DTMF) is a method of signaling that facilitates the transportation of signaling through the network, shortening call set-up time;

⁶ Section 54.201(f) of the FCC's Rules states, "[f]or the purposes of this section, the term 'own facilities' includes, but is not limited to, facilities obtained as unbundled network elements pursuant to Part 51 of this chapter, provided that such facilities meet the definition of the term 'facilities' under this subpart." 47 C.F.R. Sec. 54.201(f). The term "facilities" under Section 54.201 is defined as

[&]quot;any physical components of the telecommunications network that are used in the transmission or outing of the services that are designated for support pursuant to subpart B of this part." 47 C.F.R. Sec. 54.201(e). Nexus's use of SBC's UNEs meets this definition of "facilities."

- d) Single-party service or its functional equivalent. "Single-party service" is telecommunications service that permits users to have exclusive use of a wireline subscriber loop or access line for each call placed, or, in the case of wireless telecommunications carriers, which use spectrum shared among users to provide service, a dedicated message path for the length of a user's particular transmission;
- e) Access to emergency services. "Access to emergency services" includes access to services, such as 911 and enhanced 911, provided by local governments or other public safety organizations. 911 is defined as a service that permits a telecommunications user, by dialing the three-digit code "911" to call emergency services through a Public Service Access Point (PSAP) operated by the local government. "Enhanced 91 1" is defined as 911 service that includes the ability to provide automatic numbering information (ANI), which enables the PSAP to call back if the call is disconnected, and automatic location information (AH), which permits emergency services to identify the geographic location of the calling party. "Access to emergency services" includes access to 911 and enhanced 91 1 services to the extent the local government in an eligible carrier's service area has implemented 911 or enhanced 911 systems;
- Access to operator services. "Access to operator services" is defined as access to any automatic or live assistance to a consumer to arrange for billing or completion, or both, of a telephone call;

g) Access to interexchange service. "Access to interexchange service" is defined as the use of the loop, as well as that portion of the switch that is paid for by the end

user, or the functional equivalent of these network elements in the case of a wireless carrier, necessary to access an interexchange carrier's network;

- h) Access to directory assistance. "Access to directory assistance" is defined as access to a service that includes, but is not limited to, making available to customers, upon request, information contained in directory listings; and
- i) Toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers. Toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

7. Upon designation as an ETC, Nexus will participate in, and offer, LifeLine and Link-Up programs to qualifying low-income consumers and publicize the availability of Lifeline and Link-Up services in a manner reasonably designed to reach those likely to qualify for those services, as required by FCC Rules.⁷ Attached hereto as **Exhibit A** and incorporated herein by reference are copies of Nexus's proposed Lifeline and Linkup tariff to be filed with the Commission upon approval.

8. Nexus will advertise the availability of the above-referenced services and the charges for those services in the Designated Area using media of general distribution, as required by FCC Rules.⁸

⁷ See 47 C.F.R. Sec. 54.401-54.417; 54.405(b) & 54-411(d).

⁸ See 47 C.F.R. Sec. 54.201(d)(2).

9. Nexus is financially qualified and committed to providing high quality telecommunication services within the state of Arkansas. Nexus has previously provided the Commission with evidence of its financial capabilities to provide the supported in the context of

its application to become certified as a CLEC in Case No. XA-2004-0214 and Case No. CA-2004-0204. Upon request Nexus will provide the previous year's financial statements. The financial statements of Nexus contain proprietary and confidential information not generally available to the public and thus will be marked as confidential and will be submitted under seal to be maintained by the Commission and Commission staff on a confidential basis pursuant to the Commission's current rules.

10. Attached as **Exhibit B** and incorporated herein by reference is a description of Nexus' managerial and technical capabilities to provide the supported services in the context of its application to become an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier.

11. Attached as **Exhibit C** to this Petition and incorporated herein by reference is the certification of Steven Fenker, President of Nexus certifying that the Company satisfies all of the requirements for designation as an ETC to serve the Designated Area.

III. Area for Which ETC Designation is Requested

12. Nexus has served and will continue to serve the exchanges where it leases UNEs or resells the services of the non-rural telephone company SBC, in the state of Missouri. Nexus does not seek designation as an ETC in any areas served by rural telephone companies pursuant to the Order in Case No. XA-2004-0214 and Case No. CA-2004-0204. The Company does not provide local exchange service in any area served by any Independent telephone company. The exchanges in the SBC service areas that Nexus serves and for which it seeks ETC designation are attached as **Exhibit D**.

IV. Granting Nexus's Petition will Serve the Public Interest

13. Congress requires that the Commission grant competitive ETC petitions in non-rural areas.⁹ No specific public interest test is mentioned, as is the case for areas served by rural telephone companies.¹⁰ Thus, the Act provides that the Commission "shall" designate Nexus as an ETC upon finding that the company meets the nine- point list of services and that it agrees to advertise the supported services throughout the designated service area. Notwithstanding, the designation of Nexus as an ETC will serve the public interest.

14. A central purpose of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 was to "promote competition and reduce regulation . . . [thereby securing] lower prices and higher quality services ... and encourage the rapid deployment of new telecommunications technologies."¹¹ Designation of Nexus as an ETC would further these goals. Granting ETC status to Nexus would allow the Company to obtain federal universal service support, which it will use to offer innovative telecommunications services at competitive prices to rural consumers in the SBC service areas.

15. Nexus will announce and advertise telecommunications services as an ETC where it provides service in the SBC service areas in Missouri and will publicize the availability of Lifeline and Link-Up services in a manner reasonably designed to reach those likely to qualify for those services. Accordingly, more low-income Missouri residents will be made aware of the opportunities afforded to them under the Lifeline and Link-Up programs and will be able to take advantage of those opportunities by subscribing to Nexus' service.

¹⁰ See Id.

¹¹ The Telecommunications Act of 1996, Pub. L. No. 104-104, 110 Stat. 56, 56 (1996).

⁹ See 47 U.S.C. 214(e)(2).

16. Nexus is a contributor to the Federal Universal Service Fund, and Nexus hereby certifies that it will only use federal universal fund support for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of its facilities and services for which the support is intended.

IV. Contact Information

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

Lance J.M. Steinhart Lance J.M. Steinhart, P.C. 1720 Windward Concourse Suite 250 Alpharetta, Georgia 30005 (770) 232-9200 (770) 232-9208 (Fax) <u>lsteinhart@telecomcounsel.com</u> (Email) WHEREFORE, Applicant, Nexus Communications, Inc. d/b/a TSI respectfully requests that the Commission designate Nexus Communications, Inc. d/b/a TSI as an eligible telecommunications carrier for Federal Lifeline and LinkUp programs and issue proper certification of this designation to the Federal Communications Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attorneys for Applicant

SECTION 5 -LIFELINE AND LINKUP

5. 1. Lifeline Program

Lifeline service is a unique class of service provided to an applicant which is designed to meet basic residential communications needs for emergency calls and for the maintenance of necessary social contacts. Lifeline service includes: single party service, voice grade access to the public switched telephone network; DTMF or its functional equivalent; access to emergency services; Toll Blocking will also be optional under this service. Lifeline service is available to qualifying low-income subscribers for single party residence service. Lifeline service is a reduction in the monthly residential access line rate charges normally paid by qualifying low-income customers. Eligible Lifeline subscribers will receive total a reduction of their residential access line rate for one party service of \$6.50. The components of the reduction to basic residential one-party rates are as follows:

- State reduction in local rate: \$1.75
- Federal baseline Lifeline reduction: \$3.50
- Company discount: \$1.25

5.1.1 Applicability:

A. Lifeline discounts are applicable to local exchange services provided to eligible residential Applicants.

5.1.2 Territory:

A. Within the base rate areas of all SBC exchanges as shown and defined in the Incumbent LEC's current and effective Tariffs on file with the Commission.

5.1.3 Discounts:

A. Lifeline is provided as a reduction of the subscriber's access line rate for local service in amounts equal to the sum of the federal baseline support credit, the company credit (as provided by the Incumbent LEC), and the supplemental federal support credit.

- 5.1.4 Terms and Conditions:
 - A. Lifeline is provided only to the customer's principal residence.
 - B. One low-income credit is available per household and applicable to the primary residential connection only. The named subscriber must be a current recipient of any of the low-income assistance programs identified in 5 following.
 - C. Proof of eligibility in any of the qualifying low-income assistance programs should be provided to the Company at the time of application for service. The Lifeline credit will not be established until the Company has received proof of eligibility.
 - D. When, for any reason, a customer is determined to be ineligible the Company will contact the customer. If the customer cannot provide eligibility documentation, the Lifeline account will be disconnected.
 - E. Certification of eligibility in any of the qualifying low-income assistance programs will be required for any account that has been disconnected prior to the reestablishment of the service.
- 5.1.5 Eligible low-income assistance programs:
 - A. The eligible low-income assistance programs are the same as those defined in the Incumbent LEC's current and effective Tariffs on file with the Commission.
 - B. The Federal baseline lifeline reduction shall be used to waive the customer's Federal End-User Common Line charge.
 - C. Lifeline Service will not be furnished on a Foreign Exchange service.
 - D. Toll Blocking Service provides a means of restricting access to the Long Distance Message Telecommunications Network. Toll Blocking for the purposes of Lifeline Service will restrict 1+, 0 + and 0- (operator handled) calls.
 - E. Toll Blocking Service is offered to Lifeline subscribers at no charge.
 - F. Applicant must meet all following criteria to qualify for Lifeline Link-up service:

- 1. To qualify for Lifeline or Link-up the consumer must participate in one of the following programs:
 - a. Medicaid
 - b. Food stamps
 - c. Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
 - d. Federal public housing assistance
 - e. Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program
- 2. The customer must sign, under penalty of perjury, a document certifying:

a. He/she is receiving benefits from one of the programs in listed above.

b. Name of the program(s) from which they are receiving benefits.c. That he/she will notify the company if he/she no longer participates in the program(s) listed above.

- G. The premises at which the residence service is requested must be the applicant's principal place of residence.
- H. There is only one telephone line serving the residence premises. The residence premises household (dwelling unit) shall consist of that portion of an individual house or building or one flat or apartment occupied by a single family or individuals functioning as one domestic establishment.
- Customer may change to Lifeline Service from any other type of residential service at no charge. If a Lifeline customer no longer qualifies for Lifeline Service, that customer may change back to another type of residential service, in which case there will be no charge.
- J. All charges either recurring or non-recurring for any service other than Lifeline Service, as described herein, shall be billed at the tariffed rate.
- K. Lifeline Service customers shall be exempt from state sales tax applicable to their basic residential access line.

5.2 Link-Up Connection Program

- 5.2.1 Link-Up is a connection assistance program, which provides for the reduction of applicable charges associated with connection of telephone service,
- 5.2.2 The applicant must meet the requirements for qualification for Lifeline Telephone Service.
- 5.2.3 Link-Up is a Federal Lifeline assistance program applicable to eligible residential subscribers and designed to promote subscriber ship to the telephone network among low-income residential households.
- 5.2.4. Service connection charges, as set forth subsequently in this tariff, for initial installation of the main residential service access line, will be discounted at a rate of 50%, not to exceed \$30.00. This reduced charge shall be assessed only for a single residential telephone line per eligible household at the principal place of residence.
- 5.2.5 The customer may defer payment on up to \$200 of the above charges without interest for a period not to exceed two months. The deferred charges do not include any permissible security deposits required.
- 5.2.6 Link-Up assistance is available for a second or subsequent time only for a principal place of residence with an address different from the residence address where assistance was previous provided.
- 5.2.7 The premises at which the residence service is requested must be the applicant's principal place of residence.
- 5.2.8 There can only be one telephone access line serving the residence premises. The residence premises household (dwelling unit) shall consist of that portion of an individual house or building or one flat or apartment occupied by a single family or individuals functioning as one domestic establishment.
- 5.2.9 Link-Up will not be furnished on a Foreign Exchange service.

Exhibit B – Managerial Qualifications

Steven Fenker – President

Steven Fenker is President of Nexus Communications, Inc. d/b/a TSI, which is currently licensed as a Competitive Local Exchange Service in the states of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan, Kentucky, Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kansas, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, South Carolina, Texas, Arkansas and California.

Mr. Fenker is responsible for compliance with all governmental mandates, negotiating resale agreements with underlying local exchange carriers, and oversees all financial matters. Mr. Fenker has over fifteen years experience in starting and running various successful telecommunications companies. Mr. Fenker's telecommunication experience also includes several successful start-up companies in the wireless business.

Mr. Fenker owns 100% of the outstanding shares of stock and is the sole Officer and Director of Nexus.

Exhibit C – Certification:

I, Steven Fenker, certify as follows:

1. I am the President of Nexus Communications, Inc., d/b/a TSI, licensed as a Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC) in the state of Missouri in accordance with Case No. XA-2004-0214 and Case No. CA-2004-0204.

2. I provide this certification in support of Nexus' Application for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier in Missouri. Nexus is seeking designation as an ETC under Section 214(e)(2) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, so that it can serve the universal service needs of consumers residing in the state of Missouri.

3. For the reasons set forth in Nexus' Petition, Nexus meets the criteria for ETC designation under Section 214(e)(2). Specifically:

- (a) Nexus is a common carrier for purposes of obtaining ETC designation.
- (b) Nexus provides telephone exchange service and exchange access service.
- Nexus offers the services designated for support by the Commission pursuant to Section 254(c).
- (d) Nexus offers the supported services using its own facilities or a combination of its own facilities and resale of another carrier's services.
- (e) Nexus advertises the availability of such services and the associated charges using media of general distribution.

I have examined and formulated the foregoing request, and to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, all statements of fact contained in said request are correct statements of the business and affairs of the requesting carrier with respect to each and every matter set forth.

Steven Fenker, President

Dated 12/21, 2005

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public in and for the State of Ohio, above named this 2/ day of bcccubccc, 2005

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Exhibit D – List of Exchanges

Southwestern Bell Service Areas:		
Adrian	Gideon	Risco
Advance	Glasgow	Rushville
Agency	Grain Valley	St. Marys
Altenburg-Frohna	Gray Summit	San Antonio
Antonia	Hayti	Scott City
Archie	Herculaneum-Pevely	Senath
Argyle	Higbee	Slater
Armstrong	Hillsboro	Smithville
Ash Grove	Holcomb	Springfield
Beaufort	Hornersville	St. Louis
Bell City	Jasper	Stanberry
Benton	Kansas City	Trenton
Billings	Lamar	Tuscumbia
Bismarck	LaMonte	Versailles
Bloomfield	Lancaster	Vienna
Bloomsdale	Leadwood	Walnut Grove
Bowling Green	Lilbourne	Wardell
Brookfield	Linn	Ware
Campbell	Lockwood	Wellsville
Cardwell	Louisiana	Westphalia
Carl Junction	Macks Creek	Wyatt
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Nevada Pacific Perryville

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy of the foregoing Application upon the following parties, listed below, in accordance with Commission rules.

Dated this <u>M</u> day of <u>Luk</u>, 2005.

Lance J.M. Steinhart Georgia Bar No. 678222

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