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Honorable Robin Carnahan Secretary of State Administrative Rules Division 600 West Main Street Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

Dear Secretary Carnahan:

Proposed Amendment to 4 CSR 240-31.010 Re:

CERTIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULE

I do hereby certify that the attached is an accurate and complete copy of the emergency amendment lawfully submitted by the Missouri Public Service Commission for filing on this 22nd day of July, 2008.

Statutory Authority: Section 386.250 RSMo 2000.

If there are any questions, please contact:

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EMERGENCY AMENDMENT

4 CSR 240-31.010 Definitions. The commission is amending section (9).

PURPOSE: This amendment clarifies that "MO HealthNet" is the current Missouri Medicaid program.

EMERGENCY STATEMENT: The Missouri Universal Service Fund (MoUSF) helps low-income and disabled Missourians receive discounts for basic local telephone service. This emergency amendment is necessary because the name of Missouri's Medicaid program was changed from "Medicaid" to "MO HealthNet." Although the name change does not change eligibility, it creates confusion and the potential for denial of MoUSF benefits, because the documentation demonstrating eligibility no longer says "Medicaid." The amendment ensures that eligible persons will not be denied affordable essential telecommunications services as directed by section 392.248.2(2) RSMo 2008 because of the Medicaid name change. A proposed amendment covering the same material is published in this issue of the Missouri Register. The scope of this emergency amendment is limited to the circumstances creating the emergency and complies with the protections extended by the Missouri and United States Constitutions. The Administrative Rules Division believes this emergency amendment is fair to all interested persons and parties under the circumstances. This emergency amendment was filed on July 22, 2008, effective August 1, 2008, and expires January 29, 2009.

(9) Low-income customer—Any customer who requests or receives residential essential local telecommunications service and who participates or has a dependent residing in the customer's household who participates in [Medicaid] Missouri's Medicaid program (Mo HealthNet), food stamps, Supplementary Security Income (SSI), federal public housing assistance or Section 8, National School Lunch Program's free lunch program, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families or Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP).

AUTHORITY: sections 392.200.2, RSMo Supp. 2004 and 392.248 and 392.470.1, RSMo 2000.* Original rule filed Aug. 15, 1997, effective April 30, 1998. Amended: Filed Oct. 30, 2002, effective July 30, 2003. Emergency amendment filed May 31, 2005, effective June 10, 2005, expired Feb. 15, 2006. Amended: Filed June 30, 2005, effective Feb. 28, 2006. Emergency amendment filed July 22, 2008, effective August 1, 2008, and expires January 27, 2009. A proposed amendment covering this same material will be submitted for publication in this issue of the Missouri Register.

*Original authority: 392.200, RSMo 1939, amended 1987, 1988, 1996, 2003: 392.248, RSMo 1996; and392.470.1, RSMo 1987.

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