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

In The Matter of the Application of	)	
Smart Choice Communications, LLC	)	Case No.
to Provide Telecommunications and/or	)	
Interconnected Voice over Internet	)	
Protocol Services	)	

## **APPLICATION**

Applicant's Legal Name, including d/b/a, if applicable "Applicant" Smart Choice Communications, LLC	
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Pursuant to §392.611.4 and/or §392.550 RSMo, Applicant seeks the following authorizations as checked below:

	Certificate of Service Authority to Provide Basic Local
	Telecommunications Service
	Certificate of Service Authority to Provide Non-Switched
	Local Telecommunications Service
	Certificate of Service Authority to Provide Interexchange
	Telecommunications Service
V	Registration to Provide Interconnected Voice over Internet
^	Protocol Service

Listed below is basic information regarding the Applicant:

Type of Organization	LLC
Jurisdiction Where Organized	New York
Mailing Address	140 E 45th Street, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10017
Electronic Mail Address	regulatory@smartchoiceus.com
Telephone Number	800-213-3096

The company's services will be identified in a tariff or website as indicated below:

Tariff	
Website. The website address is (www.smartchoiceus.com).	

Attached is an affidavit signed by an officer or general partner of the Applicant stating the various requirements identified in §392.611.4 and/or §392.550 RSMo, plus confirmation the Applicant's service meets the criteria for these services as defined by §386.020 and a copy of Applicant's Certificate of Registration from the Missouri Secretary of State's Office. If applicable, a copy of the registration of the fictitious name with the secretary of state is also attached.

WHEREFORE, the Applicant requests the Commission to issue an order granting the Applicant a registration to offer and provide the indicated services identified in this application.

Respectfully submitted,

#### **ELLINGER BELL LLC**

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### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was delivered by first class mail, electronic mail or hand delivery, on this 25th day of August, 2023, to the following parties:

General Counsel Missouri Public Service Commission PO Box 360 Jefferson City, MO 65102 Office of Public Counsel PO Box 2230 Jefferson City, MO 65102

### **AFFIDAVIT**

- I, <u>Jarrett Wolfe</u>, a natural person, do hereby swear and affirm that I am an officer or general partner of Applicant and that the following information and statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:
  - (1) Applicant's basic information:

Legal Name, Including d/b/a, if Applicable	Smart Choice Communications, LLC
Principal Place of Business	140 E 45th Street, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10017
Principal Executive Officers	Jarrett Wolfe, Member

(2) Area where the Applicant proposes to offer telecommunications or IVoIP services:

Identify	area	by	local	telephone	Statewide
company	excha	nge,	in whole	or in part:	

- (3) That the Applicant is legally, financially, and technically qualified to provide the requested authorization to provide the indicated telecommunications and/or interconnected voice over internet protocol services;
- (4) That the Applicant is ready, willing, able, and will comply with all applicable state and federal laws and regulations imposed upon providers of the indicated telecommunications and/or interconnected voice over Internet protocol services;
- (5) That the Applicant will comply with applicable assessment requirements. These assessments include but are not necessarily limited to:
  - (a) Relay Missouri assessment requirements identified in 20 CSR 4240-28.012(2)(C);

- (b) Missouri universal service fund assessment requirements identified in 20 CSR 4240-28.012(2)(B);
- (c) Missouri Public Service Commission assessment requirements identified in 20 CSR 4240-28.012(2)(A);
  - (d) Local enhanced 911;
  - (e) Any applicable license tax;
- (6) That the Applicant will comply with applicable reporting requirements identified in 20 CSR 4240-28.012 including maintaining an updated list of company contacts in the Missouri Commission's Electronic Filing and Information System;
- (7) That the Applicant has established a process for handling inquiries from customers concerning billing issues, service issues, and other consumerrelated complaints;

and

- (8) The Applicant's service meets the criteria as defined within §386.020 for the indicated services sought for certification and/or registration.
- (9) The undersigned requests waiver of Rule 4.017 for good cause. By signing this form, I hereby certify that neither I, nor any other members of this filing party, has had communications with a Commissioner, Commissioner Advisor, Regulatory Law Judge, or any member of their support team in the one hundred fifty (150) days prior to the filing date of this application regarding any substantive issue included in this filing.

This concludes my affidavit.

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Darvest Wulfe Printed Name
Printed Name
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(Title)

State of New York
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Subscribed and sworn before me this 21 day of Agust

Notary Public

Notary Seal:

Cecella Loira-Marrero Notary Public, State of New York Reg. No. 01L06237611 Qualified in **Dutchess County** Commission Expires 03/21/2027



## State of Missouri

Jason Kander, Secretary of State

Corporations Division PO Box 778 / 600 W. Main St., Rm. 322 Jefferson City, MO 65102

Name and address to return filed document:

Address: 16 WEST 45TH STREET

Name:

SMART CHOICE COMMUNICATIONS LLC

City, State, and Zip Code: NEW YORK, NY 10036

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File Number: FL1289364 Date Filed: 02/05/2013 Jason Kander

**Secretary of State** 

## Application for Registration of a Foreign Limited Liability Company

(Submit with filing fee of \$105.00)

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In Affirmation thereof, the facts stated above are true and correct. (The undersigned understands that false statements made in this filing are subject to the penalties provided under Section 575.040, RS				
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# State of New York Department of State State

I hereby certify, that SMART CHOICE COMMUNICATIONS, LLC a NEW YORK Limited Liability Company filed Articles of Organization pursuant to the Limited Liability Company Law on 06/26/2002, and that the Limited Liability Company is existing so far as shown by the records of the Department. I further certify the following:

An Affidavit of Publication of SMART CHOICE COMMUNICATIONS, LLC was filed on 09/11/2002.

An Affidavit of Publication of SMART CHOICE COMMUNICATIONS, LLC was filed on 09/11/2002.

A Biennial Statement was filed 09/22/2006.

A Biennial Statement was filed 06/12/2008.

A Biennial Statement was filed 06/15/2010.

Certificate of Change was filed on 07/18/2011.

A Biennial Statement was filed 06/01/2012.

I further certify, that no other documents have been filed by such Limited Liability Company.

Witness my hand and the official seal of the Department of State at the City of Albany, this 16th day of January two thousand and thirteen.

Daniel Shapiro

Special Deputy Secretary of State

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# State of Missouri



## Jason Kander Secretary of State

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

WHEREAS.

SMART CHOICE COMMUNICATIONS, LLC FL1289364

Using in Missouri the name

SMART CHOICE COMMUNICATIONS, LLC

and existing under the laws of the State of New York has filed with this state its Application for Registration and whereas this Application for Registration conforms to the Missouri Limited Company Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JASON KANDER, Secretary of State of the State of Missouri, by virtue of authority vested in me by law, do hereby certify and declare that on the 5th day of February, 2013, the above Foreign Limited Liability Company is duly authorized to transact business in the State of Missouri and is entitled to any rights granted Liability Companies.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause to be affixed the GREAT SEAL of the State of Missouri. Done at the City of Jefferson, this 5th day of February, 2013.

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Secretary of State

