OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Applewood)	
Communications Corporation for a Certificate)	
of Public Convenience and Necessity to)	Case No. XA-2007-0386
Operate as a Reseller of Telecommunications)	
Services Within the State of Missouri)	

ORDER REJECTING APPLICATION AND TARIFF AND CLOSING CASE

Issue Date: April 11, 2007 Effective Date: April 21, 2007

On April 10, 2007, Applewood Communications Corporation filed an application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to resale telecommunications services in the State of Missouri. The company also filed a tariff with its application. The application is signed by Laura Terry who, on the cover letter, is identified as the secretary.

Under Commission rule 4 CSR 240-2.010(13) "pleadings" are defined as "any application . . . which is not a tariff or correspondence, and which is filed in a case." Although Applewood filed a tariff, this does not exclude its application from the definition of a pleading. The application and tariff are considered separate filings. Because Applewood's application is defined as a pleading, it must be filed in compliance with Commission rule 4 CSR 240-2.080(1). This rule requires that pleadings be signed by an attorneys or a natural person. The Commission allows, through its rule at 4 CSR 240-2.040(5), natural persons to appear on behalf of *themselves and not for any other person or entity*.

These rules, taken together, require that an application filed on behalf of Applewood Communications Corporation must be filed by a licensed attorney. The Commission has

previously rejected, for this and other reasons, an application filed on behalf of Applewood Communications Corporation. The same reasons for rejection persist. As set out in that prior case, Case No. XA-2007-0295, under Commission rule 4 CSR 240-2.080(14) the Commission will again reject Applewood's application and the accompanying tariffs.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- The application for Certificate of Convenience and Necessity filed on April 10,
 2007, by Applewood Communications Corporation is rejected.
- 2. The following tariff sheets accompanying the application filed on April 10, 2007 by Applewood Communications Corporation, with an issue date of May 1 and an effective date of June 15, 2007, are rejected:

Missouri PSC Tariff No. 1 Original Sheet 1 through Original Sheet 23

- 3. This order shall become effective on April 21, 2007.
- 4. This case shall be closed on April 22, 2007.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

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Kennard L. Jones, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 11th day of April, 2007.