

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

In the Matter of the Cancellation of the)	
Certificate of Service Authority for Public)	<u>File No.: XD-2022-0196</u>
Communications Services, Inc.)	Tariff No.: 200001083

In the Matter of the Cancellation of the)	
Payphone Certificate of Public)	<u>File No.: PD-2022-0197</u>
Communications Services, Inc.)	Tracking No.: JX-2017-0154

STAFF REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

On January 26, 2022, Global Tel*Link Corporation d/b/a ViaPath Technologies (“Global Tel”) filed a request to cancel the service certificates and any tariffs for Public Communications Services, Inc.-IXC (Telephone) in File XD-2022-0196. Also on January 27, 2022, Global Tel filed a request to cancel the service certificates and any tariffs for Public Communications Services, Inc. – (Payphone) in File PD-2022-0197.¹ On January 27, 2022, the Commission issued its Order Establishing Time to Respond to Request and Directing Staff to File a Recommendation (“Order”) in both files. The order set February 7, 2022, as the deadline for any party to file an objection or request for a hearing, and February 25, 2022, as the deadline for a Staff recommendation.

On June 28, 2000, the Commission issued its Order Granting Certificate of Service Authority to Provide Private Payphone Services to Public Communications Services, Inc.- Payphone in TA-2000-788. On July 23, 2000, the Commission issued its Order Approving Interexchange Certificate of Service Authority and Order Approving Tariff for Public Communications Services, Inc – IXC (Telephone) in TA-2000-787 and approved

¹ Hereinafter, unless otherwise indicated, Public Communications Services, Inc.-IXC (Telephone) and Public Communications Services, Inc. – (Payphone) may be referred to as “the Companies.”

Tariff No. 200001083. On October 28, 2014, the Commission issued its Order Recognizing Name Change of Public Communications Services, Inc. to Public Communications Services, Inc. d/b/a GTL in File XN-2015-0100.

Global Tel has requested cancellation pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-28.011(3). The rule states that “[c]ancelling a certificate of service authority or registration may be accomplished by filing a letter signed by a company official into EFIS that identifies when and which specific certificate, registration, and any applicable tariffs should be cancelled”). Section 392.410.5, RSMo, states that “[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.”

Staff has reviewed the notices of cancellation in files XD-2022-0196 and PD-2022-0197. They state that the companies have no customers in Missouri and no longer need certificates. The notices of cancellation are on GTL letterhead and signed by a vice president of GTL. The Staff concludes that the notices of cancellation comport with the requirements of 20 CSR 4240-28.011(3).

The Commission set February 7, 2022, as a deadline for objections or requests for a hearing. None was filed. 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). The Staff recommends the Commission approve the notices of cancellation and enter such orders as may be necessary to cancel any applicable tariffs.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully requests that the Commission accept the foregoing Report and Recommendation as compliance with the Commission’s Order.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, or transmitted by facsimile or electronic mail to counsel of record this 25th day of February, 2022.

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