

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

In the Matter of Birch Telecom of Missouri,) **File No. TN-2018-0284**
Inc. d/b/a Birch Communications' Change of) Tariff Nos. YC-2018-0132,
Company Name to Birch Telecom of Missouri,) YX-2018-0131, and YX-2018-0133
LLC d/b/a Birch Communications, LLC)

ORDER RECOGNIZING NAME CHANGE

Issue Date: April 27, 2018

Effective Date: May 10, 2018

On April 10, 2018, Birch Telecom of Missouri, Inc. d/b/a Birch Communications requested that the Commission recognize its name change to Birch Telecom of Missouri, LLC d/b/a Birch Communications, LLC. It also issued revised tariffs to reflect its new name. The revised tariffs carry a May 10 effective date. The Staff of the Commission responded on April 25, indicating the company has complied with all statutory and regulatory requirements for changing its name. Staff recommends the Commission recognize the name change. The Commission will do so. The revised tariffs will be allowed to go into effect by operation of law on their effective dates.

Staff's recommendation also notes that Birch is currently delinquent on several of its required Annual Report filings. Staff does not suggest the Commission refuse to recognize Birch's name change because of these delinquencies and the Commission will not order Birch to respond to Staff's concerns in this case. However, Staff may file a complaint against Birch if it believes such action is appropriate.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Commission recognizes the name change of Birch Telecom of Missouri, Inc. d/b/a Birch Communications to Birch Telecom of Missouri, LLC d/b/a Birch Communications, LLC.
2. This order shall be effective on May 10, 2018.
3. This file shall be closed on May 11, 2018.

BY THE COMMISSION



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Morris L. Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law
Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 27th day of April, 2018.

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission,
at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 27th day of April 2018.




Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

April 27, 2018

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,



**Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary**

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