## OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application for a Certificate of	)	
Service Authority to Resell Interexchange Service	)	Case No. XA-2007-0478
Within the State of Missouri	)	

## **ORDER REJECTING APPLICATION AND TARIFF**

Issue Date: June 12, 2007 Effective Date: June 12, 2007

On June 11, 2007, Long Distance Billing Services, Inc. submitted to the Missouri Public Service Commission an application for a "Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to resell inter-exchange telecommunications services within the State of Missouri." The application will be rejected.

First, the Commission does not issue Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity to telephone companies but rather issues Certificates of Service Authority.

Additionally, under the Commission's rules, applications submitted to the Commission by corporations must be submitted by an attorney. Applicant states in the first paragraph of its application that the application is being submitted "by its attorney." The application is then signed by Sherri Singleton who, on an attached "Affidavit of Applicant," is indicated as the company's secretary. Although the Commission realizes that an attorney might act as the company's secretary, there is no indication that Sherri Singleton is an attorney.

Finally, the application was submitted on June 11, 2007. Included with the application is a proposed tariff. The tariff shows an issue date of May 1, 2007 and an effective date of June 15, 2007. Under the Commission's rules, tariffs filed with

applications for Certificates of Service Authority must bear an effective date of no fewer than 45 days. The tariff, if filed on May 1, 2007, would be in compliance with the rule. However, in light of the fact that the tariff was filed on June 11, the substance of the rule, which is that the Commission have 45 days to review the application and tariff, has been

Mischaracterization of the authority that the Commission grants to telephone companies is an error in the application that might be overlooked. However, the Commission's rules must be adhered to. In light of the above discussed failures, the Commission shall reject the application filed by Long Distance Billing Services, Inc.

## IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- The application for authority to resell telecommunications services in Missouri,
  filed by Long Distance Billing Services, Inc., is rejected.
  - 2. The tariff included with the application, Missouri PSC Tariff NO. 1, is rejected.
  - 3. This order shall become effective on June 12, 2007.
  - 4. This case may be closed on June 13, 2007.

BY THE COMMISSION

(SEAL)

violated.

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

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 12th day of June, 2007.