BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Request for Cancellation of the Certificate of Service Authority Granted to Fidelity Networks, Inc.

File No. DD-2020-0179

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) and for its *Recommendation* states:

1. On January 26, 2018, the Commission granted registration for service authority to provide interconnected voice over internet protocol (iVoIP) service in Case No. DA-2018-0194, to Fidelity Networks, Inc.

2. On December 18, 2019, the Company notified the Commission that it no longer wished to retain its registration to provide iVoIP services in Missouri.

3. Pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-28.011(3) notice shall be provided to the Commission to cancel certification(s) or registration(s) previously granted by the Commission. Notice should comply with the following requirements: (A) The company should submit written notice to the commission, as in a letter, containing the following information: (1) a statement requesting cancellation of a company's certification or registration and citing the specific certificates of service authority and/or registrations; (2) If the company also has a currently effective tariff, then the letter should also request cancellation of the tariff; (B) The letter can be signed by a company official and does not need to be signed or filed by an attorney; and (C) The letter should be electronically filed in EFIS.

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4. The company properly submitted a letter to the Commission, filed in the Commission's Electronic Filing and Information System (EFIS), bearing a request for cancellation of its authority to provide IVoIP services in Missouri and signed by a designee of the company in accordance with the Commission Rule. The Company does not have a currently effective tariff. The Company has been merged into a subsidiary of Fidelity so there will be no impact to customers or financial impact should the Commission cancel its registration.

5. 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).

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully recommends the Commission cancel Fidelity Network, Inc.'s registration to provide iVoIP service in Missouri.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by electronic mail, or First Class United States Postal Mail, postage prepaid, on this 2nd day of January, 2020, to all counsel of record.

<u>/s/ Whitney Payne</u>