

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

In the Matter of the Petition for Waiver of)
Commission Rules and Statutes on behalf)
of Associated Network Partners, Inc.)
Case No. _____

PETITION FOR WAIVER OF COMMISSION RULES AND STATUTES

COMES NOW Associated Network Partners, Inc. ("Company"), pursuant to Sections 392.185, 392.361.5, and 392.420, RSMo.¹ and hereby petitions the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") for waiver of certain Commission rules and statutory provisions. In support of its Petition for Waiver, Company respectfully states as follows:

1. Company is an Illinois corporation duly authorized to conduct business in Missouri, with its principal office located at 3130 Pleasant Run, Springfield, Illinois, 62711-6347. A copy of Company's Certificate of Good Standing from the Missouri Secretary of State is attached as Exhibit 1.

2. Company is duly authorized to provide "interexchange services" and "telecommunications services" within the State of Missouri as each of those terms is defined in Section 386.020, RSMo. Company has no pending action or final unsatisfied judgments or decisions against it from any state or federal agency or court that involve customer service or rates, which action, judgment or decision has occurred within three (3) years of the date of the Application. No Missouri annual reports or assessment fees are overdue.

¹ All statutory references to Section 392.420, RSMo, refer to the revised statute pursuant to House Bill 1779 ("HB 1779"), effective August 28, 2008.

3. All correspondence, communications, and orders and decisions of the Commission issued in this matter should be sent to:

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4. In Case No. TA-98-70, the Commission granted Company a certificate of service authority to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications services. Company was classified as a competitive company, and the Commission granted the standard waiver of statutes and rules that had been traditionally waived for other similarly situated companies prior to the passage of HB 1779. Due to the passage of time, the list of waived rules and statutes is no longer current with Commission practice.

5. Under Section 392.420, RSMo, where there is an alternative local exchange telecommunications company authorized to provide local exchange telecommunications services in an incumbent local exchange telecommunications company's authorized service area, the incumbent local exchange telecommunications company may opt into the statutory and commission rule waivers.

6. For competitive companies, the Commission is authorized by Section 392.361.5 RSMo. 2000 to "suspend or modify the application of its rules or the application of any statutory provision contained in sections 392.200 to 392.340 . . ." Accordingly, Company seeks to update its list of waived rules and statutes.

7. The Commission has granted similar waivers to interexchange carrier SBC Long Distance, LLC d/b/a AT&T Long Distance in Case No. XE-2009-0308.

8. Likewise, the Commission has granted these waivers to other interexchange carriers such as Holway Long Distance Company in Case No. XE-2009-0425, Global Tel*Link Corporation in Case No. XE-2010-0247, and Global Crossing in Case No. XE-2010-0341.

9. Company hereby requests that the Commission waive application and enforcement of the specific rules and state statutes listed below.

Commission Rules (4 CSR 240-)	Brief Description
3.550(4) and (5)(A)	Held order records, Quality of service reports.
10.020*	Income on Depreciation Fund Investments
30.040*	Uniform System of Accounts
32.060	Engineering and maintenance
32.070	Quality of Service
32.080	Service objectives and surveillance levels
33.040(1) through (3) and (5) through (10)	Billing and payment standards
33.045	Clear identification and placement of charges on bills
33.080(1)	Toll-free number for billing disputes
33.130, sections (1), (4) and (5)	Operator service billing requirements

Missouri Statutes	Brief description of Commission's authority
392.210.2	Accounting (system of accounts)
392.240.1*	Rates
392.270*	Accounting (valuation)
392.280*	Accounting (depreciation/accounts)
392.290*	Issuance of stocks, bonds and other indebtedness
392.300	Transfer of property and ownership of stock
392.310*	Approval of issuing stocks, bonds and other indebtedness
392.320*	Certificate of Commission to be recorded – stock dividends
392.330*	Account for disposition of proceeds of all sales of stocks, bonds, notes and other indebtedness
392.340*	Reorganization

* Rules and statutes with the asterisk* were previously waived by the Commission when it granted Company's certificate in Case No. TA-98-70 and are restated here simply for administrative clarity.

10. **Concurrent Tariff Filing.** The Company has filed concurrently with this pleading a revised tariff sheet to reflect the waived statutes and rules. (See Exhibit 2.)

WHEREFORE, Company hereby requests that the Commission grant its petition for waiver consistent with other recently granted waivers and approve the tariff sheet that is being filed concurrently with this pleading.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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