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January 30, 2003

Missouri Public Service Commission Attn: Secretary of the Commission 200 Madison Street, Suite 100 P. O. Box 360 Jefferson City, MO 65102-0360. FILED⁴
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Missouri Public Service Commission

RE:

Case No.

Application of Epixtar Communications Corp. for Interexchange Authority and Initial Interexchange Tariff of Epixtar Communications Corp.

Dear Secretary:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission you will find an original and 5 copies of the **Application** of Epixtar Communications Corp. for Interexchange Authority for filing with the Commission. Also, an original and 5 copies of the **initial Interexchange tariff** of Epixtar Communications Corp. is provided herewith.

Thank you for assistance in the processing this filing. A copy is being served on the General Counsel and Public Counsel. Please contact me at 634-8109 if there are any questions.

Sincerely.

Mary Ann (Garr) Young

Enclosures

CC:

General Counsel

Office of Public Counsel Monica Borne Haab

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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Case No	

Application of Epixtar Communications Corp. For a Certificate of Service Authority To Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Services in the State of Missouri and for Competitive Classification

APPLICATION

Epixtar Communications Corp. ("Epixtar" or "Applicant"), by its undersigned counsel, hereby submits this Application for certificate of service authority to provide resold interexchange telecommunications service in the State of Missouri, and for competitive classification, pursuant to Sections 392.410, 392.430 and 392.440 RSMo. and 4 CSR 240-2.060. Applicant respectfully requests the Commission issue an order that 1) grants Applicant a certificate of service authority to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications services pursuant to Chapter 392 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, 2) grants competitive status to Applicant pursuant to Section 392.361 RSMo., (3) waives certain Commission rules and statutory provisions pursuant to Sections 392.420 and 392.361 RSMo and 4) approves Epixtar's separately filed tariff. In support of its application, Epixtar states as follows:

1. Applicant is a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Florida. The Company is authorized to conduct business as a foreign corporation within Missouri. In compliance with 4 CSR 240-2.060(1)(C), the Company has attached a copy of its certificate of authority from the Missouri Secretary of State as Exhibit A. The nature of Epixtar's business is the provision

of telecommunications services. The Company's legal name and principal address and telephone number are:

Epixtar Communications Corp. 11900 Biscayne Blvd., Suite 262 Miami. Florida 33181

Phone:

(305) 503-8600

Fax:

(305) 503-8610

Toll Free:

1-800-511-2012 (Customer Service)

2. All inquiries, correspondence, communications, pleadings, notices, orders and decisions relating to this case should be addressed to:

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All general correspondence from the Commission after certification should be forwarded to the Company care of its regulatory contact as follows:

William D. Rhodes, Jr., President Epixtar Communications Corp. 11900 Biscayne Blvd., Suite 262 Miami, FL 33181

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- 3. The Company proposes to provide resold switched long distance interexchange service to business and residential customers on a statewide basis. The Company will not offer operator service or local exchange (non-switched private line) services.
- 4. The Company is a telecommunications company which possesses the technical and managerial expertise to provide the services it proposes.
- The Applicant also possesses the necessary financial resources to provide the proposed services.
- 6. In accordance with 4 CSR 240-2.060(6)(C), Applicant is simultaneously submitting its proposed tariff with a forty-five day effective date for approval by the Commission. The tariff contains the rules and regulations applicable to its customers, description of services offered and list of rates associated with such services. The Company requests that the Commission approve its MO P.S.C. Tariff No. 1 simultaneously with granting a certificate of service authority in this case.
- Applicant will not unjustly discriminate among its customers as is prohibited under Section 392.200 RSMo.
- 8. Applicant is a competitive reseller of long distance telecommunications services and thus requests competitive classification pursuant to Section 392.361 RSMo and 4 CSR 240-2.060(6)(A). Applicant believes its proposed services will be subject to sufficient competition to justify a lesser degree of regulation. Further, when granted the Certificate requested herein, Applicant will be competing with other telecommunications companies in Missouri offering the same or similar services as Applicant.

9. Applicant is willing to comply with all applicable Commission rules, except those which are specifically waived by the Commission. Consistent with the Commission's treatment of other certificated competitive interexchange telecommunications companies, Applicant requests that the following statutes and regulations be waived for Applicant and its interexchange service offerings:

Statutes:

392.210.2 - Uniform System of Accounts

392.240.1 - Just & reasonable rates

392.270 - Ascertain property values

392.280 - Depreciation accounts

392.290 - Issuance of securities

392.300.2 - Acquisition of stock

392.310 - Issuance of stock and debt

392.320 - Stock dividend payment

392.330 - Issuance of securities, debts & notes

392.340 - Reorganizations

Rules:

- 4 CSR 240-10.020 Depreciation fund income
- 4 CSR 240-30.010 (2)(C) Rate schedules should be posted at central office
- 4 CSR 240-30.040 Uniform system of accounts
- 4 CSR 240-33.030 Inform customers of lowest price
- 10. Applicant submits that the public interest will be served by Commission approval of this application because Applicant's proposed services will create and enhance competition and expand customer service options, and offer service options consistent with the legislative goals set forth in the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 and Chapter 392 RSMo. Prompt approval of this application also will expand the availability of innovative, high quality, and reliable telecommunications services within the State of Missouri.

12. The Company will not resell its services to other telecommunications companies.

13. Applicant does not have any pending action or final unsatisfied judgments or

decisions against it from any state or federal agency or court which involve

customer service or rates, which action, judgment or decision has occurred within

three (3) years of the date of the application.

14. No annual reports or assessment fees are overdue from Applicant.

WHEREFORE, Applicant, Epixtar Communications Corp., respectfully requests that the Commission 1) grant it a certificate of service authority to provide interexchange

telecommunications services as requested herein; 2) classify the Company and its

proposed services as competitive; 3) grant waivers of statutes and regulations as

requested herein; and 4) approve its separately submitted tariff.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of this document has been hand delivered or mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid to the Office of Public Counsel and the General Counsel's office on this 30th day of January 2003.

Mary Ann (Garr) Young

VERIFICATION OF APPLICANT STATE OF SS: COUNTY OF _____

I, William D. Rhodes, Jr. being first duly sworn, state that I am the President of Epixtar Communications Corp., the Applicant herein; that I am authorized to sign this Verification on its behalf; that I have reviewed the matters set forth in the Application and Exhibits; and that the statements contained therein are true to the best of my knowledge, except as to those matters which are stated on information or belief, and as to those matters I believe them to be true.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 16th day of December 20 02

Epixtar Communications Corp.

Signature of President

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day of December, 2003.

Notary Public



EXHIBIT A

MISSOURI SECRETARY OF STATE CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

STATE OF MISSOUR



Matt Blunt Secretary of State

CORPORATION DIVISION - CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, EPIXTAR COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

using in Missouri the name EPIXTAR COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

has complied with the General and Business Corporation Law which governs Foreign Corporations; by filing in the office of the Secretary of State of Missouri authenticated evidence of its incorporation and good standing under the Laws of the State of FLORIDA.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MATT BLUNT, Secretary of State of the State of Missouri, do hereby certify that said corporation is from this date duly authorized to transact business in this State, and is entitled to all rights and privileges granted to Foreign Corporations under the General and Business Corporation Law of Missouri.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand and imprinted the GREAT SEAL of the State of Missouri, on this, the 9th day of DECEMBER, 2002.

Secretary of State

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