# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Request for )	
Cancellation of the Registration )	<u>File No. DD-2020-0XXX</u>
Granted to ESCO Technologies, LLC )	

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

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

- On April 9, 2015, the Commission granted registration for service authority to provide interconnected voice over internet protocol (iVoIP) service in Case No. DA-2015-0237, to ESCO Technologies, LLC.
- 2. On April 18, 2020, 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.
- 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 reports that as of December 31, 2019, it had no customers in Missouri 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 ESCO Technologies, LLC's registration to provide iVoIP service in Missouri.

Respectfully submitted,

## /s/ Whitney Payne

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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 30<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020, to all counsel of record.

#### /s/Whitney Payne



April 16, 2020

Via Electronic Filing

Missouri Public Service Commission P.O. Box 360 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

RE: DA-2015-0237 -ESCO Technologies, LLC – Request to Cancel Registration to Provide Interconnected Voice over Internet

Dear Executive Secretary,

ESCO Technologies, LLC ("ESCO") requests to cancel its Registration to provide interconnected Voice over Internet in the State of Missouri, originally granted in the above-mentioned docket number on April 19, 2015. The Company will no longer offer any telecommunication services in Missouri.

As of December 31, 2019, ESCO had no telecommunications customers or operations in Missouri, is not offering any services to any Missouri customers, and has no future prospects of remaining in business in Missouri.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at (407) 260-1011 if you have questions or concerns.

Best Regards,

Mark Lammert Attorney-in-Fact

ESCO Technologies, LLC