# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In The Matter of the Application of	)
White River Technologies, LLC d/a/a	) ) Case No.
White River Connect	)
to Provide Telecommunications and/or	)
Interconnected Voice over Internet	)
Protocol Services	,

### **APPLICATION**

Applicant's Legal Name, including d/b/a, if applicable "Applicant"	White River Technologies, LLC d/b/a White River Connect, a Missouri limited liability company
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Pursuant to §392.611.4 and/or §392.550 RSMo, Applicant seeks the following authorizations as checked below:

	Certificate of Service Authority to Provide Basic Local						
	Telecommunications Service						
	Certificate of Service Authority to Provide Non-Switched						
	Local Telecommunications Service						
	Certificate of Service Authority to Provide Interexchange						
	Telecommunications Service						
X Registration to Provide Interconnected Voice							
^	Internet Protocol Service						

Listed below is basic information regarding the Applicant:

Type of Organization	Limited Liability Company
Jurisdiction Where Organized	State of Missouri
Mailing Address	PO Box 969, Branson, MO 65615
Electronic Mail Address	bjackson@whiteriver.org
Telephone Number	417-335-9335

The company's services will be identified in a tariff or website as indicated below:

Tariff
Website. The website address is www.whiteriverconnect.com

Attached is an Affidavit signed by an officer of the Applicant stating the various requirements identified in §392.611.4 and/or §392.550 RSMo, along with confirmation that the Applicant's service meets the criteria for these services as defined by §386.020. Also included is a copy of Applicant's Certificate of Organization issued by the Missouri Secretary of State's Office and Applicant's registration of its fictitious name.

**WHEREFORE**, the Applicant requests the Commission to issue an order granting the Applicant a registration to offer and provide the indicated services identified in this application.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Christiaan Horton

Christiaan Horton, Mo. #46003 Carnahan Evans PC 2805 S. Ingram Mill Rd. Springfield, MO 65804 Phone: (417) 447-4400

E-mail: chorton@CarnahanEvans.com

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was delivered by first class mail, electronic mail or hand delivery, on this 30th day of November, 2023, to the following parties:

General Counsel Missouri Public Service Commission PO Box 360 Jefferson City, MO 65102

Office of Public Counsel PO Box 7800 Jefferson City, MO 65102

/s/ Christiaan Horton

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#### **AFFIDAVIT**

I, **Beau Jackson**, a natural person, do hereby swear or affirm that I am an officer of Applicant and that the following information and statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

### (1) Applicant's basic information:

Legal Name, Including d/b/a, if Applicable	White River Technologies, LLC d/b/a White River Connect
Principal Place of Business	2449 E State Hwy 76, Branson, MO 65616
Principal Executive Officers	Beau Jackson, CEO

(2) Area where the Applicant proposes to offer telecommunications or IVoIP services:

Identify area by local telephone	The exchanges in: Branson,
company exchange, in whole or in part:	Rockaway Beach, Cedar Creek,
	Forsyth, Protem, Theodosia,
	Gainesville, Wasola, Ava, Bradleyville,
	Sparta, Ozark, Highlandville, Galena,
	Reeds Spring, Branson West,
	Kimberling City, Blue Eye, Caulfield,
	Vanzant, Norwood, Mansfield,
	Fordland, Nixa, all in the state of
	Missouri

- (3) That the Applicant is legally, financially, and technically qualified to provide the requested authorization to provide the indicated telecommunications and/or interconnected voice over internet protocol services;
- (4) That the Applicant is ready, willing, able, and will comply with all applicable state and federal laws and regulations imposed upon providers of the

indicated telecommunications and/or interconnected voice over Internet protocol services;

- (5) That the Applicant will comply with applicable assessment requirements.

  These assessments include but are not necessarily limited to:
  - (a) Relay Missouri assessment requirements identified in 20 CSR 4240-28.012(2)(C);
  - (b) Missouri universal service fund assessment requirements identified in 20 CSR 4240-28.012(2)(B);
  - (c) Missouri Public Service Commission assessment requirements identified in 20 CSR 4240-28.012(2)(A);
  - (d) Local enhanced 911;
  - (e) Any applicable license tax;
- (6) That the Applicant will comply with applicable reporting requirements identified in 20 CSR 4240-28.012 including maintaining an updated list of company contacts in the Missouri Commission's Electronic Filing and Information System;
- (7) That the Applicant has established a process for handling inquiries from customers concerning billing issues, service issues, and other consumer-related complaints; and
- (8) The Applicant's service meets the criteria as defined within §386.020, RSMo. for the indicated services sought for certification and/or registration.
- (9) The undersigned requests waiver of Rule 4.017 for good cause. By signing this form, I hereby certify that neither I, nor any other members of this filing party, has had communications with a Commissioner, Commissioner Advisor, Regulatory Law Judge, or any member of their support team in the one hundred

fifty (150) days prior to the filing date of this application regarding any substantive issue included in this filing.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAITH NOT.

Beau Jackson, CEO

White River Technologies, LLC d/b/a White River Connect

STATE OF MISSOURI ) ss. COUNTY OF TANEY )

On this 27 day of November, 2023, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared **Beau Jackson** to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing Affidavit and acknowledged that the information contained therein is true and correct to his best knowledge, information and belief.

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal in the county and state aforesaid, the day and year first above written.

Notary Public

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My Commission Expires:

5-16-26

Place notary stamp in box above in black ink and press firmly.

OTARY SEAL

STATE OF MISSOURY



### John R. Ashcroft Secretary of State

CERTIFICATE OF AMENDED ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION

WHEREAS,

# WHITE RIVER TECHNOLOGIES, LLC LC0013607

FORMERLY,

#### WHITE RIVER TECHNOLOGIES, L.L.C.

filed its amended Articles of Organization with this office and WHEREAS that filing was found to conform to the Missouri Limited Liability Company Act;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN R. ASHCROFT, Secretary of State of the State of Missouri, by virtue of authority vested in me by law do hereby certify and declare that the above entity's Articles of Organization are amended.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause to be affixed the GREAT SEAL of the State of Missouri. Done at the City of Jefferson, this 6th day of February, 2023.



### State of Missouri John R. Ashcroft, Secretary of State **Corporations Division** PO Box 778 / 600 W. Main St., Rm. 322

Jefferson City, MO 65102

### LC0013607 Date Filed: 2/6/2023 John R. Ashcroft **Missouri Secretary of State**

#### **Amendment of Articles of Organization**

(Submit with filing fee of \$25.00)

Charter #: LC0013607					
1. The current name of the limited liability company is: White River Techn	nologies, L.L.C.				
2. The effective date of this document is the date it is filed by the Secretary of State of Missouri unless a future date is otherwise					
indicated:					
(Date may not be more than 90 days after the fil	ing date in this Office)				
3. State date of occurrence that required this amendment: January 1, 2023					
	Month/Day/Year				
4. The articles of organization are hereby amended as follows:					
Article 1: Name change from White River Technologies, L.L.C. to V Article 2: To own, manage, service, and develop a retail broadband fiber optics or other technology for that purpose and to transact all c Article 4: The management of the Company is vested in one or moderaticle 5: The latest date which the limited liability company is to dis	I network for high-speed communications using other lawful business permitted under the Act. re managersNO				
5. (Check if applicable) This amendment is required to be filed because:					
☐ management of the limited liability company is vested in one or more managers where management had not been so previously vested.					
management of the limited liability company is no longer vested in one or more managers where management was previously so vested.					
<ul> <li>☑ a change in the name of the limited liability company.</li> <li>☑ a change in the time set forth in the articles of organization for the limited liability company to dissolve.</li> <li>☐ adding a series under section 347.039 RSMo. (Form LLC 1A must be attached.)</li> </ul>					
<ul> <li>6. This amendment is (check either or both):</li> <li> ☑ authorized under the operating agreement</li> <li>☑ required to be filed under the provisions of RSMo Chapter 347</li> </ul>					
(Please see next page)					
Name and address to return filed document:	000000000000000000000000000000000000000				
Name: Christiaan D. Horton	ORI-02062023-2549 State of Missouri No of Pages 2 Pages				
Address: 2805 S. Ingram Mill Road					
City, State, and Zip Code: Springfield, MO 65804	Amend/Restate LLC/LR/LLD/LLD				

Amend/Restate - LLC/LP/LLP/LLLP

(The undersigned)understands that false sta	tements made in this filing are subject to the penalties prov	ided under Section 575.040, RSMo)
an substitute of	Christiaan Horton	2.3.2023
Authorized Stenature	Printed Name	Date
Authorized Signature	Printed Name	Date
Authorized Signature	Printed Name	Date

In Affirmation thereof, the facts stated above are true and correct:

STATE OF MISSOURI



### Rebecca McDowell Cook Secretary of State

CERTIFICATE OF ORGANIZATION
LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

WHEREAS,

WHITE RIVER TECHNOLOGIES, L.L.C.

FILED ITS ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION WITH THIS OFFICE ON THE 27TH DAY OF JUNE, 1997, AND THAT FILING WAS FOUND TO CONFORM TO THE MISSOURI LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ACT;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, REBECCA McDOWELL COOK, SECRETARY OF STATE, STATE OF MISSOURI, BY VIRTUE OF AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY LAW, DO CERTIFY AND DECLARE THAT ON THE 27TH DAY OF JUNE, 1997, THE ABOVE ENTITY IS A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, ORGANIZED IN THIS STATE AND ENTITLED TO ANY RIGHTS GRANTED TO LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE SET MY HAND AND IMPRINTED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, ON THIS, THE 27TH DAY OF JUNE, 1997.

Secretary of State

\$105.00



# State of Missouri

Rebecca McDowell Cook, Secretary of State P.O. Box 778, Jefferson City, Mo. 65102 Corporation Division

## **Articles of Organization**

(Submit in duplicate with filing fee of \$105)

ı.	The name of the limited liability company is:				
	White River Technologies, L.L.C.				
2.	2. The purpose(s) for which the limited liability company is organized: To provide fiber optic communication services and any other legal purpose.				
3.	The name and address of the limited liability company's registered agent in Missouri is:  White River Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc., E. Hwy 76, P.O. Box 969  Name Street address Branson, MO 65615 City/State/Zip				
4.	The management of the limited liability company is vested in one or more managers.    \[ \times_X\text{Yes}  \text{No} \]				
5.	The latest date on which the limited liability company is to dissolve is: December 31, 2027  Month/Day/Year				
6.	. Upon the withdrawal of any member, the remaining member(s) have the following right(s) (if any) to continue the business and affairs of the limited liability company:  All rights to continue or terminate.				
7.	The name(s) and address(es) of each organizer:  Larry D. Frazier, E. Hwy 76, P.O. Box 969, Branson, MO 65615				
8.	For tax purposes, is the limited liability company considered a corporation? X Yes \(\sime\) No				
	In affirmation thereof, the facts stated above are true:  Organizer				



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Date Filed: 1/4/2023
Expiration Date: 1/4/2028
John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State

### **Registration of Fictitious Name**

(Submit with filing fee of \$7.00) (Must be typed or printed)

This information is for the use of the public and gives no protection to the name being registered. There is no provision in this Chapter to keep another person or business entity from adopting and using the same name. The fictitious name registration expires 5 years from the filing date. (Chapter 417, RSMo)

Please check one box:

City, State, and Zip Code:

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×		Renewal		☐ Amendment		☐ Correction	
	_	Char	ter number		Charter number		Charter number
The	undersigned is doin	g business under 1	the following	g name and at the f	following address:		
Busi	ness name to be regis	stered: White Riv	ver Connect				
Busi	ness Address: 2449			to a physical street a	address)		
City,	State and Zip Code:	Branson, MO 6	5616-8441				
Own	er Information:						
If a b	ousiness entity is an o	wner, indicate busi	ness name ai	nd percentage owne	d. If all parties are jo	ointly and several	lly liable, percentage
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Nai	ne of Owners,	Charter # Required If					If Listed, Percentage
	ividual or Business	Business					of Ownership Must
Ent	ity IITE RIVER	Entity	Street and	d Number	City and State	Zip Code	Equal 100%
	CHNOLOGIES,						
<u>L.L</u>	.C.	LC0013607	E. HWY 7	76	BRANSON, MO	65616	100.00
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	011 's Signature or Authorized	l Signature of Business	Entity	BEAU JACKSC Printed Name	ZIN		1/04/2023 Date
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N	ame and address to r	eturn filed docume	nt:				
1	Name: <u>Carnahan I</u>	Evans PC					
А	ddress: Email: cwi	lliams@carnahane	evans.com				