

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

In the Matter of Notification of Name Change Involving) **File No. SN-2024-0378**
United Services, Inc. to United Fiber, LLC d/b/a United) Tracking No. JS-2024-0175
Fiber MO, LLC)

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, pursuant to the Commission’s *Corrected Order Directing Staff to File a Recommendation* (“Order”) issued on July 1, 2024¹, and for its *Staff Recommendation*, states as follows:

1. On June 27, 2024, United Services, Inc. (“United Services” or “Applicant”) filed its *Application for Name Change Recognition* (Application) with the Commission to change its name to United Fiber, LLC. The Applicant amended its proposed tariff sheet and filed its *Supplemental Filing Regarding Application for Name Change Recognition* (Supplement) on July 12, 2024.

2. Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.060(5) provides in relevant part as follows:

(5) . . . a name change may be accomplished by filing the items below with a cover letter requesting a change of name. Notwithstanding any other provision of these rules, the items required herein may be filed by a non-attorney. Applications for approval of a change of a name shall include:

(A) A statement, clearly setting out both the old name and the new name;

(B) Evidence of registration of the name change with the Missouri Secretary of State; and

(C) Either an adoption notice and revised tariff title sheet with an effective date which is not fewer than thirty (30) days after the filing date of the application, or revised tariff sheets with an effective date which is not fewer than thirty (30) days after the filing date of the application.

3. Staff reviewed the proposed tariff sheets with an effective date of August, 1, 2024, and its “Certificate of Registration” document from the Missouri Secretary of

¹ On July 12 2024, the Commission granted Staff’s requested extension to file on July 15, 2024.

State, which is dated March 18, 2024.² Staff also reviewed the Applicant's supplement amending its proposed tariff effective date from August 1, 2024 to September 1, 2024.³ Staff concludes that the Applicant filed the appropriate documentation as required by the Commission's regulations in 20 CSR 4240-2.060.

4. Staff's position is that the Applicant's proposal seeking to change its name to United Fiber, LLC d/b/a United Fiber MO, LLC is reasonable and is not detrimental to the public interest.

Staff therefore recommends the Commission approve the use of the fictitious name and approve the proposed tariff sheets with an effective date of September 1, 2024.

5. In lieu of a Memorandum, Staff herein states that the Applicant has complied with all aspects of the rule. No entities intervened to oppose the name change. The Applicant is not delinquent in any required filings with the Commission.

WHEREFORE, Staff recommends the Commission approve the use of the fictitious name and approve the proposed tariff sheets with an effective date of September 1, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

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² Exhibits 1 and 2 to United Services *Application for Name Change Recognition*.

³ Revised Exhibit 2 to United Services *Application for Name Change Recognition*.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all parties and/or counsel of record on this 15th day of July, 2024.

/s/ Eric Vandergriff