

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

In the Matter of the Relinquishment of)
Designation as an Eligible)
Telecommunications Carrier of Aristotle)
Unified Communications Inc)

File No. DD-2025-0157

**MOTION TO CANCEL DESIGNATION AS AN
ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER**

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Staff”) and moves for the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”) to cancel the designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier (“ETC”) of Aristotle Unified Communications Inc. (“Aristotle” or “Company”) and states:

1. The Commission previously granted ETC status to the Company in Case No. TA-2019-0147 on February 2, 2019.¹ The Company’s ETC status allowed it to receive federal support from the Federal Communications Commission (“FCC”) Connect America Fund II (“CAF II”).

2. The Company filed a letter with the Commission on November 14, 2024, seeking relinquishment of its designation as an ETC since Wisper ISP, LLC (“Wisper”) has assumed the Company’s CAF II obligations. In its *Order Granting Expanded Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier* in Case No. DA-2025-0055, the Commission expanded Wisper’s ETC designation to include the census block service area of the Company.

3. Pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-28.0211(3) notice shall be provided to the Commission to cancel certifications or registrations previously granted by the

¹ The Commission recognized the Company’s name change from Aristotle Unified Communications LLC to Aristotle Unified Communications Inc. in Case No. DN-2024-0210 on February 3, 2024.

Commission. The Company properly notified the Commission, in a letter filed in EFIS and signed by a representative of the company.

4. 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 Aristotle Unified Communications Inc.'s designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier and grant such other and further relief as is just in the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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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 11th day of December, 2024, to all counsel of record.

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