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Mr. Daniel Hall
Public Service Commission
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RE: *Final Orders of Rulemaking - withdrawals*

Dear Daniel:

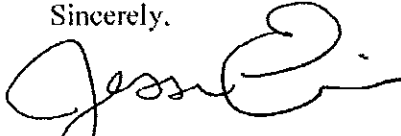
This office has received your Final Order of Rulemaking to withdraw the proposed rescission listed below.

- 4 CSR 240-29.010 – The LEC-to-LEC Network
- 4 CSR 240-29.020 – Definitions
- 4 CSR 240-29.030 – General Provisions
- 4 CSR 240-29.040 – Identification of Originating Carrier for Traffic Transmitted over the LEC-to-LEC Network
- 4 CSR 240-29.050 – Option to Establish Separate Trunk Groups for LEC-to-LEC Telecommunications Traffic
- 4 CSR 240-29.060 – Special Privacy Provisions for End Users Who Block Their Originating Telephone Number
- 4 CSR 240-29.080 – Use of Terminating Record Creation for LEC-to-LEC Telecommunications Traffic
- 4 CSR 240-29.090 – Time Frame for the Exchange of Records, Invoices, and Payments for LEC-to-LEC Network Traffic
- 4 CSR 240-29.100 – Objections to Payment Invoices
- 4 CSR 240-29.120 – Blocking Traffic Origination Carriers and/or Traffic Aggregators by Transiting Carriers
- 4 CSR 240-29.130 – Requests of Terminating Carriers for Originating Tandem Carriers to Block Traffic of Originating Carriers and/or Traffic Aggregators
- 4 CSR 240-29.140 – Blocking Traffic of Transiting Carriers by Terminating Carriers
- 4 CSR 240-29.150 – Confidentiality
- 4 CSR 240-29.160 – Audit Provisions
- 4 CSR 240-34.010 – General Provisions

- 4 CSR 240-34.020 – Definitions
- 4 CSR 240-34.030 – Requirements for E-911 Service Providers
- 4 CSR 240-34.040 – ETS Subscriber Record Information Requirements of Resellers
- 4 CSR 240-34.050 – Subscriber Record Information and Service Order Standards for Facilities Based Companies
- 4 CSR 240-34.060 – Telecommunications Facilities Standards
- 4 CSR 240-34.070 – Repair of Telecommunication Facilities
- 4 CSR 240-34.080 – Selective Routing Standards
- 4 CSR 240-34.090 – Database Accuracy Standards
- 4 CSR 240-36.010 – Definitions
- 4 CSR 240-36.020 – Filing Procedures
- 4 CSR 240-36.030 – Mediation
- 4 CSR 240-36.040 – Arbitration
- 4 CSR 240-36.050 – Commission Approval of Agreements Reached by Arbitration

Executive Order 17-03 requires this office's approval before state agencies release proposed regulations for notice and comment, amend existing regulations, rescind regulations, or adopt new regulations. After our review of this rulemaking, we approve the rule's submission to the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules and the Secretary of State.

Sincerely,



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Re: 4 CSR 240-29.050 Option to Establish Separate Trunk Groups for LEC-to-LEC
Telecommunications Traffic

Dear Secretary Ashcroft,

CERTIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULE

I do hereby certify that the attached is an accurate and complete copy of the order of rulemaking lawfully submitted by the Missouri Public Service Commission.

Statutory Authority: section 386.040 and 386.250, RSMo 2016

If there are any questions regarding the content of this order of rulemaking, please contact:

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Enclosures

**Title 4 – DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
Division 240 – Public Service Commission
Chapter 29 – Enhanced Record Exchange Rules**

ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Public Service Commission under sections 386.040 and 386.250, RSMo 2016, the commission withdraws a proposed rescission of a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-29.050 Option to Establish Separate Trunk Groups for LEC-to-LEC Telecommunications Traffic proposed rescission is withdrawn.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the proposed rule rescission was published in the *Missouri Register* on May 15, 2018 (43 MoReg 990-991). This proposed rescission is withdrawn.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The public comment period ended July 2, 2018, and the commission held a public hearing on the proposed rule on July 10, 2018. The commission received timely written comments from the staff of the commission, the Missouri Telecommunications Industry Association (MTIA), and from Windstream Missouri, LLC. Whitney Payne, representing the commission's staff, and Natelle Dietrich, on behalf of staff; Richard Telthorst, on behalf of MTIA; Leo Bub, representing AT&T Missouri; and Brian McCartney, representing the Missouri Small Telephone Company Group, appeared at the hearing and offered comments.

COMMENT #1: Staff explained the Enhanced Record Exchange Rules in Chapter 29, of which this rule is a part, are designed to deal with the problem of uncompensated or unidentified traffic being delivered to Missouri's local exchange carriers (LECs). Staff suggested the rule is unnecessary because wholesale matters are typically addressed in interconnection agreements, tariffs contracts, and other intercompany arrangements. Representatives of the LECs offered comments strongly disagreeing with staff's view of the importance of the rule. They explained this rule is very important in their efforts to reduce the incidence of fraudulent delivery of telecommunications traffic over the network. They urge the commission not to rescind these rules.

RESPONSE: The commission agrees the Enhanced Local Exchange Rules of Chapter 29 remain necessary. The Commission will withdraw the proposed rescission of this rule.

