

ARTICLES OF MERGER

Pursuant to Section 347.725 of the Missouri Revised Statutes

Pursuant to the provisions of The Missouri Revised Statutes, Missouri Limited Liability Company Act, the undersigned entities certify the following:

1. The name, state of organization and type of each constituent entity is:

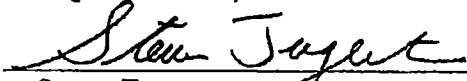
<u>Name of Entity</u>	<u>State of Organization</u>	<u>Missouri Charter</u>	<u>Type of Entity</u>
Embarq Missouri, Inc.	Missouri	T00000533	Telephone Company
Brightspeed of West Missouri, LLC	Missouri	LC014439339	LLC

2. The Agreement and Plan of Merger has been authorized and approved by resolution of the Managers and Members of Brightspeed of West Missouri, LLC, a Missouri limited liability company, adopted by written consent in lieu of a special meeting on March 4, 2023.
3. The Agreement and Plan of Merger has been authorized and approved by resolution of the Board of Directors and Shareholder of Embarq Missouri, Inc., a Missouri telephone company, adopted by written consent in lieu of a special meeting on March 4, 2023.
4. The effective date of this document shall be upon filing with the Missouri Secretary of State.
5. The name of the surviving entity is Brightspeed of West Missouri, LLC, a Missouri limited liability company.
6. The address of the registered office of the surviving entity is 120 South Central Ave., Clayton, Missouri 63105.
7. The name of the registered agent of the surviving entity is C T Corporation System.
8. The organizational documents of the surviving entity immediately prior to the effective date of this document shall be its organizational documents immediately following the effective date of this document.
9. The executed Agreement and Plan of Merger is on file at the principal place of business of 1120 South Tryon Street, Suite 700, Charlotte, North Carolina 28203.
10. A copy of the Agreement and Plan of Merger will be furnished by the surviving entity on request and without cost to any member or stockholder that is a party to the merger.

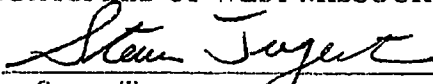


IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed this Articles of Merger as of this  
4<sup>th</sup> day of MARCH, 2023.

**EMBARQ MISSOURI, INC.**

By:   
Name: Steven Tugentman  
Title: Executive Vice President

**BRIGHTSPEED OF WEST MISSOURI, LLC**

By:   
Name: Steven Tugentman  
Title: Manager

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## CERTIFICATE OF TAX CLEARANCE

EMBARQ MISSOURI INC  
1025 ELDORADO BLVD  
BROOMFIELD, CO 80021-8254

06/09/2023

MISSOURI CORPORATION CHARTER NUMBER: T00000533

The Missouri Department of Revenue received your request for a tax clearance and completed a review of the tax records. All taxes owed, including all liabilities owed as determined by the Division of Employment Security pursuant to Chapter 288, RSMo, have been paid.

This statement is not to be construed as limiting the authority of the Director of Revenue to assess, or pursue collection of liabilities resulting from final litigation, default in payment of any installment agreement entered into with the Director of Revenue, any successor liability that may become due in the future, or audits or reviews of the taxpayer's records as provided by law.

This Certificate of Tax Clearance must be presented to the Missouri Secretary of State with any required paperwork and payment. For information concerning the Secretary of State's requirements, you may call (573) 751-4153 or toll free at (866) 223-6535.

THIS CERTIFICATE REMAINS VALID FOR 60 DAYS FROM THE ISSUANCE DATE. If you do not complete your transaction in 60 days you must obtain a new Certificate of Tax Clearance. A new Request for Tax Clearance (Form 943) is required.

If you require additional information, contact the Taxation Division at the above address, telephone number, fax number, or e-mail.

Taxation Division

Enclosure

# STATE OF MISSOURI



**John R. Ashcroft**  
**Secretary of State**

## CERTIFICATE OF MERGER MISSOURI ENTITY SURVIVING

WHEREAS, Articles of Merger of the following entities:

*Embarq Missouri, Inc. -- T00000533*

**INTO:**

*Brightspeed of West Missouri, LLC -- LC014439339*

organized and existing under the laws of Missouri have been received, found to conform to law, and filed.

NOW, THEREOF, I, JOHN R. ASHCROFT, Secretary of State of the State of Missouri, issue this Certificate of Merger, certifying that the merger of the aforementioned entities is effected, with

*Brightspeed of West Missouri, LLC -- LC014439339*

as the surviving entity.

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 9th day of June, 2023.

  
Secretary of State

