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Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case are an original and eight (8) conformed copies of a STAFF RECOMMENDATION.

This filing has been mailed or hand-delivered this date to all counsel of record.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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## **BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

### OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of Teligent, Inc.'s 1999 Annual Report to the Commission as an Interexchange Telecommunications Carrier and Confidential Treatment of a Portion Thereof.

Case No. TE-2000-651

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff") and for its Recommendation respectfully states:

- 1. On April 14, 2000, Teligent, Inc. ("Teligent") filed an Application for Confidential Treatment of Annual Report with the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") requesting confidential treatment of the balance sheet, income statement, and statement of cash flows, and a portion of page 3 contained in Teligent's 1999 Annual Report to the Commission.
- 2. Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-10.080(7), the Commission may grant confidential treatment of information in an annual report for good cause.
- 3. In the attached *Memorandum*, which is labeled Appendix A, the Staff states its opinion that Teligent has stated good cause for confidential treatment of the subject information.

WHEREFORE, the Staff recommends, *inter alia*, that the Commission issue an Order granting Teligent's request for confidential treatment that portion of its 1999 annual report referenced in the *Memorandum* until April 15, 2001, and requiring that Teligent file the confidential version thereof in accordance with the specifications set forth in the attached

Memorandum. Staff further recommends that the Commission issue an Order transferring the information in question to the public record after that date, absent a showing by Teligent that the information should remain confidential.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File

Case No. TE-2000-651, Teligent, Inc.

FROM:

Bill Meyer, Project Coordinator Roy Boltz, Regulatory Auditor RB 6/21/2000

SUBJECT:

Staff Recommendation Concerning the Request for Confidential Treatment of portions of

the 1999 Annual Report of Teligent, Inc.

DATE:

June 21, 2000

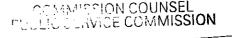
On April 14, 2000, Teligent, Inc., an interexchange telecommunications carrier, filed with the Commission both a complete and a redacted copy of its 1999 annual report. Accompanying the filing was an Application for Confidential Treatment of Annual Report, wherein Teligent requested that the Commission afford confidential treatment of a portion of page 3, balance sheet, income statement, and statement of cash flows (respectively, pages 3, 5, 6 and 7 of the annual report). In support of its Application, Teligent asserted that the information for which protection is sought contains "market-sensitive information that competitors could use to their economic advantage," and that Teligent "treats this information as confidential and proprietary within the company itself and does not reveal this information in any public forum." In the redacted, or public version submitted by Teligent, asterisks appear in the spaces on the affected pages, along with a notation at the bottom of each stating, "denotes highly confidential material."

The Staff has reviewed these pages and is of the opinion that this information meets the definition of highly confidential or proprietary, as defined by the protective order issued by the Commission in contested cases, and that, therefore, good cause has been shown based on past Commission practice.

#### RECOMMENDATION

- 1. The Staff recommends that the Commission issue an Order granting Teligent, Inc.'s request for confidential treatment of a portion of page 3, balance sheet, income statement and statement of cash flows contained in its 1999 annual report until April 15, 2001. After this date, the information should be transferred to the public record, unless the Company makes a showing that the information remains confidential.
- 2. The Staff recommends that upon Commission issuance of an Order granting this request, Records Department be ordered to attach a copy of said Order to the public version already filed.





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