

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Cancellation of)
The Certificate of Service Authority)
Of Empire Payphones, Inc.)
File No. PD-2010-0316

ORDER CANCELING CERTIFICATE

Issue Date: June 8, 2010

Effective Date: June 18, 2010

On May 6, 2010, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission filed a motion requesting Empire Payphones, Inc. ("Empire") certificate of service authority to provide private pay telephone services in the State of Missouri be cancelled.

In File Number PA-2006-0355, the Commission granted Empire a certificate of service authority to provide private pay telephone service in the State of Missouri.

Staff states in its motion that Empire submitted a request for the Commission to cancel their certificates as the company has ceased operations and is no longer in business. Staff recommends that the Commission cancel the company's certificate of service authority to provide private pay telephone service.

On May 10, 2010, the Commission issued an Order Directing Notice allowing any parties to file an objection or request a hearing to do so no later than May 20, 2010. No objections or requests for a hearing were filed.

The Commission has the authority to cancel a certificate and tariff pursuant to Section 392.410.5, RSMo, which states, in part, "[a]ny certificate or service authority may be altered or modified by the commission after notice and hearing, upon its own motion or upon application of the person or company affected."

Based on Staff's motion, the Commission finds that the certificate of service authority granted to Empire Payphones, Inc., shall be canceled.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The certificate of authority to provide private pay telephone services granted to Empire Payphones, Inc., in File Number PA-2006-0355, is canceled.
2. This order shall become effective on June 18, 2010.
3. This case may be closed on June 19, 2010.

BY THE COMMISSION



Steven C. Reed
Secretary

(SEAL)

Nancy Dippell, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law
Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri
on this 8th day of June, 2010.