

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

In the Matter of the Application of	)	
Ted E. Beliel and Tammy Holcomb, for a	)	
Certificate of Service Authority to Provide	)	<b><u>Case No. PA-2005-0502</u></b>
Private Pay Telephone Service Within the	)	
State of Missouri.	)	

**ORDER GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE AUTHORITY**  
**TO PROVIDE PRIVATE PAYPHONE SERVICES**

Issue Date: August 22, 2005

Effective Date: September 1, 2005

This order grants Ted E. Beliel and Tammy Holcomb a certificate of service authority to provide private pay telephone service.

Ted E. Beliel and Tammy Holcomb filed an application on June 24, 2005, with the Missouri Public Service Commission pursuant to Section 392.440, RSMo 2000,<sup>1</sup> for a certificate of service authority to provide private pay telephone service in Missouri, via customer-owned coin telephone (COCT) equipment. The Applicants are partners and their principal office is located at 22708 West 182nd Street, Eagleville, Missouri 64442.

The Commission issued a Notice of Applications for Authority to Provide Payphone Service on August 2, 2005, which set an intervention deadline of August 12, 2005. No applications to intervene were filed.

The Commission finds that competition in the private pay telephone service market is in the public interest and that Applicants should be granted a certificate of service

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<sup>1</sup> All statutory references are to the Revised Statutes of Missouri (RSMo), revision of 2000, unless otherwise indicated.

authority. The provision of private pay telephone service is classified as competitive and subject to minimum regulation pursuant to Section 392.520. That section specifically exempts COCT providers from the tariff filing requirements of Sections 392.220, 392.230, 392.370.4, 392.370.5, and 392.500. Applicants shall notify the Commission if they cease to provide private pay telephone services in Missouri, or if the address or phone number of their principal place of business changes. The Commission finds that Applicants' service shall be provided in accordance with the following requirements:

- A. The equipment shall provide users access to the following without charge and without the use of a coin: (i) dial tone; (ii) an operator; and (iii) local 911 or E-911 emergency service, or, where unavailable, prominently displayed instructions on how to reach local emergency service;
- B. The equipment shall be mounted in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and local laws for the disabled, and shall provide access to telecommunications relay service calls for the hearing disabled at no charge to the caller;
- C. The equipment shall allow completion of local and long distance calls;
- D. The equipment shall permit access to directory assistance;
- E. There shall be displayed in close proximity to the equipment, in 12 Point Times Bold print, the name, address, and telephone number of the COCT provider, the procedures for reporting service difficulties, the method of obtaining customer refunds, and the method of obtaining long distance access. If applicable, the notice shall state that only one-way calling is permitted. If an alternative operator services (AOS) provider is employed, the COCT provider shall display such notice as is required by the Commission; and
- F. The equipment shall not block access to any local or interexchange telecommunications carrier.

The Commission reminds Applicants that failure to comply with their regulatory obligations may result in the assessment of penalties against them. These regulatory obligations include, but are not limited to, the following:

The obligation to pay an annual assessment fee established by the Commission, as required by Section 386.370, RSMo 2000.

The obligation to comply with all relevant laws and regulations, as well as orders issued by the Commission. If the Applicants fails to comply, they are subject to penalties for noncompliance ranging from \$100 to \$2,000 per day of noncompliance, pursuant to Section 386.570, RSMo 2000.

The obligation to keep the Commission informed of their current address and telephone number.

Furthermore, the Applicants are reminded that, as a partnership, neither of them may represent the other before the Commission. Only an attorney licensed to practice law in Missouri may represent a partnership before the Commission.<sup>2</sup>

In addition, the Applicants are reminded that Section 392.410.5, RSMo Supp. 2005, renders their certificate of service authority null and void one year from the date of this order unless they have exercised their authority under that certificate before that date.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That Ted E. Beliel and Tammy Holcomb are granted a certificate of service authority to provide private pay telephone service in the state of Missouri via customer-owned pay telephone equipment, subject to the requirements of certification set out in this order.

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<sup>2</sup> This result was avoided with respect to their application for a certificate because both Beliel and Holcomb signed the application.

2. That the certification granted herein is conditioned upon the Applicants' compliance with the regulatory obligations in this order.
3. That this order shall become effective on September 1, 2005.
4. That this case may be closed on September 2, 2005.

**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale  
Secretary

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Kevin A. Thompson, Deputy Chief  
Regulatory Law Judge,  
by delegation of authority pursuant  
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 22nd day of August, 2005.