

STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office
in Jefferson City on the 9th
day of November, 1995.

In the matter of Amerifax, Inc.)
to change corporate name to)
AmeriConnect, Inc.)

Case No. TO-96-16

ORDER RECORDING NAME CHANGE AND APPROVING TARIFF

On July 20, 1995 Amerifax, Inc. (Amerifax or Applicant) submitted notice to the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) of its intent to change its corporate name to "AmeriConnect, Inc." (AmeriConnect). This docket was created to address that request. On September 11, 1995 Amerifax filed tariff sheets to reflect the name change and to revise several rules, regulations, services, and miscellaneous text sections. The Commission's standard procedure is to open a docket with a prefix of "TO" solely for the purpose of recording the name change. Tariff revisions of the type which have been proposed within this docket are traditionally filed only in a docket with a prefix of "TT." However, inasmuch as this docket was already established and the Applicant's tariff sheets have been filed in this case the Commission will allow all of the issues to be resolved in this case.

On October 2, 25, and 31, 1995 Amerifax filed substitute tariff sheets to correct clerical errors and to clarify several tariff provisions. These tariff sheets reflected the proposed new name AmeriConnect, Inc. and were filed in the docket which was created to address the change of corporate name. Amerifax has extended the effective date of this tariff on numerous occasions so that the effective date is now November 11, 1995.

On November 7, 1995 the Telecommunications Department Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) filed its Memorandum in which it states that the proposed revisions of the rules and regulations include adding tariff provisions for customer deposits, the requesting of residential customer credit information, preferred methods of payment, and the addition of a late payment charge for residential customers. Staff notes that the Applicant is also proposing to offer new services including operator services and domestic calling card service. Amerifax is also proposing to revise its rates for several of its services. In accordance with § 392.500, RSMo 1994, companies which are classified as competitive are permitted to increase rates after 10 days notice to customers and the Commission. The miscellaneous text changes within the tariff consist of address and customer service telephone number changes, billing cycle date changes, and the renumbering of various tariff sections. Amerifax is also adding to its tariff sheets the standard waivers of Commission Rules and Missouri Statutes as are routinely granted by the Commission to competitive telecommunications companies.

Staff has recommended approval of the tariff sheets which have been filed in this case.

The Commission finds that it is in the public interest to maintain an accurate record of the name under which utilities are providing business. The Commission finds that the ratepayers are better served by being able to ascertain the true identity of the regulated utility from whom they receive service. The Commission finds that the provisions in the tariff sheets filed in this case provide the same or similar terms, conditions, and prices for service as provided by other similar companies in the state of Missouri. The Commission finds it is in the public

interest to approve the tariff sheets and to do so under the new business name of AmeriConnect, Inc.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the records of the Missouri Public Service Commission will now reflect the name change from Amerifax, Inc. to AmeriConnect, Inc.

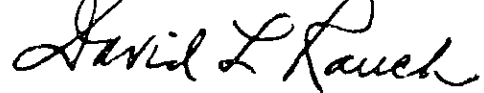
2. That the tariff sheets filed herein on September 11, 1995, as substituted on October 2, 25, and 31, 1995, are hereby approved for service on and after November 11, 1995:

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3. That this order shall become effective on November 11, 1995.

BY THE COMMISSION



David L. Rauch
Executive Secretary

(S E A L)

Mueller, Chm., McClure, Crumpton,
and Drainer, CC., Concur.
Kincheloe, C., Absent.