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**RE: Case No. TA-2000-477**

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case are an original and fourteen (14) 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  
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In the Matter of the Application of )  
America Networks, Inc. for a Certificate )  
of Service Authority to Provide )  
Interexchange and Non-Switched Local )  
Exchange Telecommunications Services )  
within the State of Missouri and for )  
Classification of said Services and )  
Company as Competitive )  
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Case No. TA-2000-477

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

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

1. In the attached Memorandum, which is labeled Appendix A, the Staff recommends that the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") grant America Networks, Inc. (Applicant) a certificate to provide interexchange telecommunications services and a certificate to provide local exchange telecommunications services restricted to dedicated, private line services. The Commission shall grant an application for a certificate of telecommunications service authority upon a finding that the grant of authority is in the public interest. (See sections 392.430 and 392.440 RSMo 1994).

2. Staff also recommends that the Commission classify the Applicant and its services as competitive. The Commission may classify a telecommunications provider or its services as competitive if the Commission determines it is subject to sufficient competition to justify a lesser degree of regulation. (See section 392.361.2 RSMo 1994). All the services a

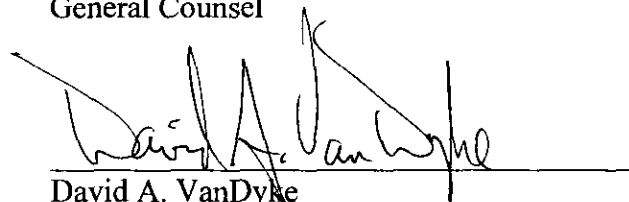
competitive company provides must be classified as competitive. (See section 392.361.3 RSMo 1994).

3. Staff further recommends that the Commission approve the waivers listed in the Notice of Application. The Commission may waive the application of its rules and certain statutes if the Commission determines that waiver is consistent with the purposes of Chapter 392 RSMo. (See sections 392.361.3 and 392.420 RSMo 1994 and section 392.185 RSMo Supp. 1999).

**WHEREFORE**, the Staff recommends that the Commission grant America Networks, Inc. a certificate to provide interexchange telecommunications services and a certificate to provide local exchange telecommunications services restricted to dedicated, private line services, grant Applicant competitive classification, approve Applicant's proposed tariff, PSC MO No. 1 with a proposed effective date of March 23, 2000, and approve waivers listed in the Notice of Applications.

Respectfully submitted,

DANA K. JOYCE  
General Counsel

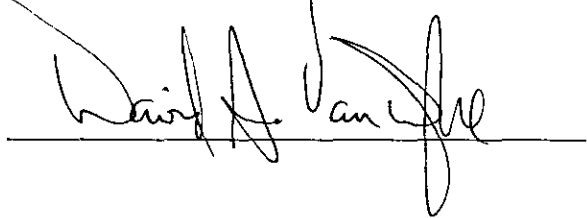
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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered to all counsel of record as shown on the attached service list this 10th day of March 2000.



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## MEMORANDUM

To: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File  
Case No: TA-2000-477 File No: 200000700  
Applicant: AmericaNetworks, Inc.

From: Tom Solt <sup>TS</sup>  
Telecommunications Department

[Signature] 3/6/00 Wm K Hoon 3/9/00 [Signature] 3/9/00  
Project Coordinator/Date General Counsel's Office/Date

Subject: Staff Recommendation for **Approval of Certificate**

Date: March 6, 2000

Date Assigned: 2/4/00

Staff Deadline: 3/14/00

The Telecommunications Department Staff (Staff) recommends the applicant be granted the following certificate(s), as indicated below, to be effective on the same date the tariff becomes effective:

- ☒ certificate to provide interexchange telecommunications services.  
☒ certificate to provide local exchange telecommunications services.\*  
\*local exchange authority should be restricted to dedicated, private line services.

Staff recommends the applicant and its services receive competitive classification. Furthermore, Staff recommends approval of the applicant's proposed tariff, PSC MO NO. 1, with a proposed effective date of 3/23/00. In addition, Staff recommends approval of the waivers listed in the Application, as amended (See Attachment 1.)

Is there an attachment to this recommendation indicating any additional recommendations or special considerations? ☒ Yes ☐ No

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### Application/Tariff Review Items

☒ No applications to intervene filed.

#### Application contains the following:

- ☒ Proper Secretary of State authorization  
☒ Request for classification as a competitive telecommunications company.  
☒ All requested waivers are listed in the Notice and all requested waivers have previously been granted to other competitive companies.

#### Proposed tariff:

- ☒ Complies with PSC rules and statutes applicable to applicant.  
☒ If operator services offered, operator services requirements are included.  
☐ Includes "interexchange" tariff text if offers private line service w/o requesting a local certificate.  
☒ If ICB pricing proposed, only for private line.  
☒ If ICB pricing is offered, tariff includes standardized ICB text.  
☒ Rate structures or service offerings are similar to existing IXC offerings. (In addition, tariff does not geographically de-average).  
☒ If promotional offering text is included, it is standardized promotion text.  
☒ Waivers listed in tariff match those listed in application and Notice.

### Services Offered in Initial Tariff

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1+                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Line |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 800/888/877 Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Debit Card              |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Directory Assistance | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Travel Card  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Operator Assistance  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other:                  |

Has proposed effective date been extended? ☐ Yes ☒ No

New effective date:

Have substitute tariff sheets been filed? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Dates of substitute sheets: 3/1/00, 3/2/00, 3/6/00

From	Initials	Date	Revised
Tom Solt	tas	March 6, 2000	
Wm. Voight	BV	3-7-00	
Mr. VanEschen	[Signature]	3/4/00	
Mr. Henderson	[Signature]		
Legal	WKT	3/9/00	

Attachment 1 to Staff Recommendation  
Case No. TA-2000-477, File No. 200000700  
March 6, 2000

Initially, the application requested waivers that were not among the list of "standard" waivers, and some of the exceptions were noted by the Regulatory Law Judge in the Notice of Applications (Notice). AmericaNetworks, Inc.'s amendments to the application addressed the exceptions in the Notice so that only standard waivers have been requested.

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**March 10, 2000**

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