BEFORE THE MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the matter of the Application of American) Broadband and Telecommunications Company) d/b/a American Assistance for a Certificate of) Service Authority to Provide Basic Local) Telecommunications Services, Non-Switched) Case No. Local Services and Interexchange Telecommunications Services) Throughout the State of Missouri and to Classify) Said Services and the Company as Competitive)

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE BASIC LOCAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, NON SWITCHED LOCAL SERVICES, AND INTEREXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES AND FOR COMPETITIVE CLASSIFICATION

American Broadband and Telecommunications Company d/b/a American Assistance ("American Assistance" or the "Company"), by its attorneys, and pursuant to Sections 392.245.5 (8), 392.361, 392.410, 392.420, 392.430, 392.440, 392.450, 392.455, 392.461, and 392.470 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri ("RSMo"), and 4 CSR 240-2.060 and 4 CSR 240-3.510, hereby applies for authority to provide basic local exchange, non-switched local and interexchange telecommunications services throughout the State of Missouri and to classify the services and company as competitive. In support of its Application, American Assistance states as follows:

A. Identification of Applicant; Proper Secretary of State Authorization. 4 CSR 240-2.060.

1. American Assistance is a Delaware corporation and is registered with the Missouri Secretary of State to operate as a foreign carrier in Missouri.¹ American Assistance will be

¹ American Broadband is incorporated in Delaware and is an authorized foreign corporation in Alabama, California, Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Maryland, Minnesota, Missouri, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Wisconsin and West Virginia. A copy of American Broadband's

advertising, marketing and providing its telecommunications services in the State of Missouri under the name American Assistance.² The Company's primary offices are located at 1 Seagate, Suite 600, Toledo, Ohio, 43699 and its telephone and fax numbers, respectively, are as follows: (419) 824-5810 and (419) 205-9014.

B. Communications Regarding this Proceeding.

2. All inquiries, correspondence, communications, pleadings, notices, order and decisions

relating to the case should be addressed to:

Denise N. Smith Kelley Drye & Warren LLP 3050 K Street, NW, Suite 400 Washington, D.C. 20007 Tel. (202) 342-8614 Fax. (202) 342-8451 dsmith@kelleydrye.com

and

Carl J. Lumley Curtis, Heinz, Garrett & O'Keefe, P.C. 130 S. Bemiston, Suite 200 St. Louis, MO 63105 Tel. (314) 725-8788 Fax. (314) 725-8789 clumley@lawfirmemail.com

Inquiries related to the operations of the company and customer service should be addressed to:

Jeffrey Ansted, President American Broadband and Telecommunications Company 1 Seagate, Suite 600

authorization from the Missouri Secretary of State to transact business in Missouri as a foreign corporation is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

² A copy of American Broadband's Registration of Fictitious Name, submitted to the Missouri Secretary of State on March 11, 2014, is attached hereto as **Exhibit B**.

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C. Description of Applicant and Proposed Services to be Offered in Missouri. 4 CSR 240-3.510(1)(A); Geographic Area, 4 CSR 240-3.510(1)(B)

3. American Assistance currently is authorized to provide telecommunications service in the States of Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Wisconsin and provides residential and business customers with data, and local and long distance telecommunications services throughout its service territories. The Company provides basic local exchange, exchange access, and broadband services by reselling the services of incumbent local exchange carriers ("ILECs") in those states. American Assistance also offers prepaid and postpaid wireless services, including phone and data, to its small business customers through a combination of resale arrangements with Sprint, T-Mobile, and Verizon. The Company proposes to offer a similarly full range of competitive facilities-based and resold local exchange, intrastate access, and interexchange services to residential and business customers in the nonrural areas served by Southwestern Bell Telephone d/b/a AT&T Missouri, CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC d/b/a CenturyLink, Spectra Communications Group, LLC d/b/a CenturyLink, and Embarq Missouri, Inc., d/b/a CenturyLink. The exchanges in which the Company seeks authority are listed in the approved tariffs of the respective ILECs, and will be listed in American Assistance's tariff. The Company's proposed service areas will follow the respective, non-rural exchange boundaries of each ILEC and shall be no smaller than an exchange as required by Section 392.455(3) RSMo.

4. American Assistance seeks Commission certification to operate as a provider of interexchange, non-switched local, and basic local exchange telecommunications service and to

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provide telecommunications services, pursuant to Sections 392.410, 392.430, 392.440, and 392.455, RSMo.

D. Statement of Technical Managerial Resources and Abilities, 392.455 RSMo

5. American Assistance also has the financial, managerial, and technical capabilities to provide its proposed services and its current successful operations in Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Wisconsin evidence American Assistance's competence in this regard. As demonstrated by the management biographies, attached hereto as Exhibit C, American Assistance's key leadership has significant telecommunications experience that will enable the Company to provide quality service to Missouri consumers.

E. Statement of Financial Viability, 392.455 RSMo

6. American Assistance also has the financial resources necessary to provide its proposed telecommunications services. The Company receives revenue from a number of sources including income from the sale of prepaid telecommunications services to customers in Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Wisconsin. In addition, American Assistance has provided prepaid domestic and international telecommunications and mobile data services since 2004 and has a substantial customer base. An affidavit, signed by an officer of the Company and attesting to American Assistance's technical, financial, and managerial resources and abilities, is attached hereto as Exhibit D, including proprietary financial information.

F. Request for Competitive Telecommunications Company and Service Classification; 4 CSR 240-2.060(6)(A)

7. American Assistance requests the Commission classify the Company and its services as competitive. The services American Assistance provides are subject to sufficient competition to warrant a competitive classification. Granting the Company and its services competitive status

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will promote continued competition in the telecommunications market, thereby increasing service options for Missouri consumers.

G. Separate and Distinct Services, 392.455 RSMo; Equitable Access, 392.455 RSMo

8. American Assistance will offer its basic local telecommunications service as a separate and distinct service and will ensure all of its services satisfy the minimum standards established by the Commission. The Company will give equitable access to all Missourians, regardless of where they live or their income, to affordable telecommunications services.

H. Willingness to Comply with PSC Regulations, 392.455 RSMo.; Request for Waiver and Exemption

9. American Assistance will provide its services in accordance with applicable Missouri law and is willing to meet all relevant service standards, including, but not limited to billing, quality of service, and tariff filing and maintenance in a manner consistent with the Commission's requirements for incumbent local exchange carrier(s) and interexchange carriers with whom American Assistance seeks authority to compete. Additionally, the Company agrees that, pursuant to Section 392.455(3) and (4) RSMo 2000, its service area shall be no smaller than an exchange. Consistent with Commission treatment of other interexchange carriers and pursuant to Sections 392.245, 392.361.5, 392.420, and 392.461 RSMo, American Assistance seeks waiver and elects exemption of the following rules and statutes, with respect to the Company's interexchange services:

Statutes:

392.210.2	Accounting requirements (system of accounts)
392.240.1	Reasonableness of rates
392.270	Accounting requirements (valuation of property)
392.280	Accounting requirements (depreciation rates/accounts)
392.290	Issuance of stocks, bonds and other indebtedness
392.300	Transfer of property and ownership of stock
392.310	Approval of issuing stocks, bonds and other indebtedness

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392.320	Certificate of Commission to be recorded-stock dividends
392.330	Accounting requirements (proceeds of sales of stock, bonds, notes, etc.)
392.340	Company reorganization

<u>Rules</u>:

4 CSR 240-3.520	Applications to sell or transfer assets
4 CSR 240-3.525	Applications to merge or consolidate
4 CSR 240-3.530	Applications to issue stocks, obtain loans
4 CSR 240-3.535	Applications to acquire stock
4 CSR 240-3.545(8)(C)	Listing of Waivers in Tariff
4 CSR 240-3.550	Telco Records and Reports (except (5)(B), (D) and (E))
4 CSR 240-3.555	Residential Customer Inquiries
4 CSR 240-3.560	Procedure for Ceasing Operations
4 CSR 240-10.020	Depreciation Records
4 CSR 240-30.020	Residential Telephone Underground Systems
4 CSR 240-30.040	Uniform System of Accounts
4 CSR 240-32.010	General Provisions
4 CSR 240-32.040	Metering, Inspections and Tests
4 CSR 240-32.050	Customer Services
4 CSR 240-32.060	Engineering and Maintenance
4 CSR 240-32.070	Quality of Service
4 CSR 240-32.080	Service objectives and surveillance levels
4 CSR 240-32.090	Connection of equipment and Inside Wiring
4 CSR 240-32.100	Provision of Basic Local and Interexchange Services
4 CSR 240-32.130-170	Prepaid Calling Cards (except 32.140 and 32.150(1))
4 CSR 240-32.180-190	Caller ID blocking requirements
4 CSR 240-33.010	Service and Billing Practice General Provisions
4 CSR 240-33.040	Billing and Payment standards
4 CSR 240-33.045	Clear identification and placement of charges on bills
4 CSR 240-33.050	Deposits
4 CSR 240-33.060	Residential Customer Inquiries
4 CSR 240-33.070	Discontinuance of service
4 CSR 240-33.080	Disputes by Residential Customers
4 CSR 240-33.090	Settlement agreements with residential customers
4 CSR 240-33.130	Operator service requirements
4 CSR 240-33.140	Payphone requirements (except (2))
4 CSR 240-33.150	"Anti-slamming" requirements
4 CSR 240-33.160	Customer Proprietary Network Information

The above-referenced rules and statutory provisions have been waived by the Commission for

other competitive carriers in prior cases and/or are now required to be waived by legislation

passed in 2011 by the Missouri General Assembly.³ The rules and statutory provisions for which Applicant seeks waiver or exemption are principally applicable to non-competitive telecommunications carriers. It would be inconsistent with the goal and purpose of Section 392.530 RSMo to apply such rules or statutory provisions to a competitive telecommunications carrier such as Applicant.

I. Pending Action or Unsatisfied Judgments Statement. 4 CSR 240-2.060 (1) (K)

10. American Assistance has not been a party to litigation involving customer service or rates within the past three years. Accordingly, the Company has no pending action or final unsatisfied judgments or decisions against it before any court, state or federal agency.

J. Annual Report or Assessment Statement. 4 CSR 240-2.060 (1) (L)

11. American Assistance has never operated in Missouri. American Assistance has no overdue Missouri PSC assessment fees or annual reports.

K. Tariff Submission Statement, 4 CSR 240-3.510(1)(C)

12. American Assistance elects to provide its retail services by means of a Commissionapproved tariff and accordingly requests a temporary waiver of 4 CSR 240- 3.510(1)(C). That rule requires that an application for a certificate of service authority, as an interexchange telecommunications carrier, to provide telecommunications services shall include a proposed tariff with a 45-day effective date, but allows applicants the option of postponing tariff submittal. The Company will file a tariff in a manner consistent with the Commission's practices in similar cases before providing service.

L. Interconnection Agreements.

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³ See, e.g., Sections 392.245 and 392.461.

13. American Assistance states that it will undertake all necessary measures to ensure its contracts with other companies and carriers do not contain provisions preventing delivery of traffic to any telephone exchange area, and that such measures include but are not limited to:

- Prevention of call blocking and/or call gapping based on the cost of traffic termination.
- Preventing the alteration or stripping of Calling Party Number Identification.
- Ensuring sufficient network capacity exists to process all traffic according to industry accepted practices.

M. Access Rates

14. American Assistance's originating and terminating access rates shall not exceed the access rates of the incumbent local exchange company against whom it is competing pursuant to §§ 392.361.6 and 392.370 RSMo. If the directly competing ILEC, in whose service area American Assistance is operating, decreases its originating and/or terminating access service rates, American Assistance shall file an appropriate tariff amendment to reduce its originating and/or terminating access rates in the directly competing ILEC's service area within 30 days of the directly competing ILEC's reduction of its originating and/or terminating access rates in order to maintain the cap.

N. Public Interest Statement Pursuant to 392.430 RSMo

15. The Commission is authorized to grant American Assistance a certificate of service authority as an interexchange, non-switched local, and basic local exchange telecommunications carrier if the Commission finds that such grant is in the public interest. Granting American Assistance's application will benefit the public interest as it will enable the entry of a new competitive option for basic local exchange, exchange access and intrastate interexchange services in Missouri. American Assistance provides a wide selection of telecommunications service offerings as well as dial-up and high speed internet access that will be attractive to Missouri consumers. Further, the Company will bring service offerings and technological innovation and investment to the Missouri telecommunications market, stimulating competition among providers and contributing to the general economic health of the state. In addition, granting the application will expand the availability of technologically advanced telecommunications services and internet access in Missouri. This, in turn, will help to ensure that Missouri consumers enjoy the full benefits of market choice as contemplated by the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 and Chapter 392 RSMo.

WHEREFORE, American Assistance respectfully requests that the Commission grant it a certificate of service authority as an intrastate basic local, interexchange and non-switched local exchange telecommunications service carrier to provide telecommunication services as herein requested, grant competitive status to the Company and its requested services, grant a waiver of the aforesaid statues and regulations set forth in this Application, and grant such other relief as the Commission deems appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Carl J. Lumley

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Counsel to American Broadband and Telecommunications Company

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was sent by electronic submission, hand delivered or sent by U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, this <u>12th</u> day of May, 2014 to:

Office of the Public Counsel P.O. Box 7800 Jefferson City, MO 65102

General Counsel Missouri Public Service Commission P.O. Box 360 Jefferson City, MO 65102

/s/ Carl J. Lumley

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VERIFICATION

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I, Jeffrey Ansted, state that I am the President of American Broadband and Telecommunication Company ("American Broadband"); that I am authorized to make this Verification on behalf of American Broadband; that I have read the foregoing Application; and that the statements in the foregoing document are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. Further, I verify that American Broadband will comply with all applicable rules and regulations. I also verify that Carl J. Lumley and Curtis, Heinz, Garrett & O'Keefe, P.C., 130 S. Berniston, Suite 200, St. Louis, Missouri 63105, are authorized to sign all pleadings and documents necessary to receive the approval of the Missouri Public Service Commission of the foregoing Application, and to represent American Broadband in this proceeding,

Jeffrey Ansted American Broadband and Telecommunications Company

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25^{m} day of April, 2014.

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Notary Public

My Commission expires: <u>5-7-18</u>



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LIST OF EXHIBITS

EXHIBIT A	Articles of Incorporation & Authority to Transact Business in Missouri as a Foreign Corporation			
EXHIBIT B	Registration of Fictitious Name			
EXHIBIT C	Technical & Managerial Resources and Abilities			
EXHIBIT D	Statement of Financial Viability and Financial Affidavit			

EXHIBIT A

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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AUTHORITY TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN MISSOURI AS FOREIGN CORPORATION

STATE OF MISSOURI



Robin Carnahan Secretary of State

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

WHEREAS,

AMERICAN BROADBAND AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY F01272450

using in Missouri the name AMERICAN BROADBAND AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY

has complied with the General and Business Corporation Law which governs Foreign Corporations; by filing in the office of the Secretary of State of Missouri authenticated evidence of its incorporation and good standing under the Laws of the State of Delaware.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROBIN CARNAHAN, Secretary of State of the State of Missouri, do hereby certify that said corporation is from this date duly authorized to transact business in this State, and is entitled to all rights and privileges granted to Foreign Corporations under the General and Business Corporation Law of Missouri.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause to be affixed the GREAT SEAL of the State of Missouri. Done at the City of Jefferson, this 29th day of November, 2012.



Secretary of State

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I, JEFFREY W. BULLOCK, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY "AMERICAN BROADBAND AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY" IS DULY INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE AND IS IN GOOD STANDING AND HAS A LEGAL CORFORATE EXISTENCE SO FAR AS THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE SHOW, AS OF THE TWENTY-EIGHTH DAY OF NOVEMBER, A.D. 2012.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE SAID "AMERICAN BROADBAND AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY" WAS INCORPORATED ON THE THIRTIETH DAY OF JULY, A.D. 2007.

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STATE OF DELAWARE CERTIFICATE OF MERGER OF FOREIGN CORPORATION INTO A DOMESTIC CORPORATION

Pursuant to Title 8, Section 252 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, the undersigned corporation executed the following Certificate of Merger:

FIRST: The name of the surviving corporation is American Broadband and

SECOND: The Agreement of Merger has been approved, adopted, certified, executed and acknowledged by each of the constituent corporations pursuant to Title 8 Section 252 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

THIRD: The name of the surviving corporation is American Broadband and

Telecommunications Company ______, a Delaware corporation. FOURTH: The Certificate of Incorporation of the surviving corporation shall be its Certificate of Incorporation. (If amendments are affected please set forth)

FIFTH: The authorized stock and par value of the non-Delaware corporation is 1,000 common shares with no par value

SIXTH: The merger is to become effective on August , 2007

SEVENTH: The Agreement of Merger is on file at 104 N Summit St, 3rd Floor, Toledo

Ohio 43604

____, an office of

the surviving corporation.

EIGHTH: A copy of the Agreement of Merger will be furnished by the surviving corporation on request, without cost, to any stockholder of the constituent corporations. **IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, said surviving corporation has caused this certificate to be

signed by an authorized officer, the <u>6th</u> day of <u>August</u>, A.D.,

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CERTIFICATE OF MERGER

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In accordance with the requirements of Ohio law, the undersigned corporations, banks, savings banks, savings and loan, limited liability companies, limited partnerships and/or partnerships with limited liability, desiring to effect a merger, set forth the following facts:

I. SURVIVING ENTITY

A. The name of the entity surviving the merger is:

American Broadband and Telecommunications Company

B. Name Change: As a result of this merger, the name of the surviving entity has been changed to the following:

(Complete only if name of surviving entity is changing through the merger)
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C. The surviving entity is a: (Please check the appropriate box and fill in the appropriate blanks

Domestic (Ohio) For-Profit Corporation, charter number	
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Foreign (Non-Ohio) Corporation incorporated under the laws of the state/country of and licensed to transact business in the State of Ohio under license number	
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V. MERGER AUTHORIZED

The laws of the state or country under which each constituent entity exists, permits this merger. This merger was adopted, approved and authorized by each of the constituent entities in compliance with the laws of the state under which it is organized, and the persons signing this certificate on behalf of each of the constituent entities are duly authorized to do so.

VI. STATUTORY AGENT

The name and address of the surviving entity	's statutory agent upon whom any process, notice or demand may be
served is: Jeffrey S. Ansted	104 N Summit St. 3rd Floor

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(This item MUST be completed if the surviving entity is a foreign entity which is not licensed, registered or otherwise authorized to conduct business in the state of Ohio)

VII. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENT

The undersigned, named herein as the statutory agent for the above referenced surviving entity, hereby acknowledges and accepts the appointment of statutory agent for said entity.

Signature of Agent

Jeffrey S. Ansted

(The acceptance of agent must be completed by the surviving entities if through this merger the statutory agent has changed, or the named agent differs in any way from the name currently on record with the Secretary of State.)

VIII, STATEMENT OF MERGER

Upon filing, or upon such later date as specified herein, the merging entity/entities listed herein shall merge into the listed surviving entity

IX. AMENDMENTS

The articles of incorporation, articles of organization, certificate of limited partnership or registration of partnership having limited liability (circle appropriate term) of the surviving domestic entity have been amended.

X. QUALIFICATION OR LICENSURE OF FOREIGN SURVIVING ENTITY

A. The listed surviving foreign corporation, bank, savings bank, savings and loan, limited liability company, limited partnership, or partnership having limited liability desires to transact business in Ohio as a foreign corporation, bank, savings bank, savings and loan, limited liability company, limited partnership, or partnership having limited liability company, limited partnership, or partnership having limited liability company, limited partnership, or partnership having limited liability, and hereby appoints the following as its statutory agent upon whom process, notice or demand against the entity may be served in the state of Ohio. The name and complete address of the statutory agent js:

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The subject surviving foreign corporation, bank, savings bank, savings and loan, limited liability company, limited partnership, or partnership having limited liability irrevocably consents to service of process on the statutory agent listed above as long as the authority of the agent continues, and to service of process upon the Secretary of State of Ohio if the agent cannot be found, if the corporation, bank, savings bank, savings and loan, limited liability company, limited partnership, or partnership having limited liability fails to designate another agent when required to do so, or if the foreign corporation's, bank's, savings bank's, savings and loan's, limited liability company's, limited partnership's or partnership having limited liability's license or registration to do business on Ohio expires or is canceled.

B. The qualifying entity also states as follows: (Complete only if applic	ws: (Complete only if applicabl	follows:	as	so states	entity als	gualifying	The	₿.
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1.	Fore	lign	Notice	Under Section	1703.031

(If the qualifying entity is a foreign bank, savings bank, or savings and loan, then the following information must be completed.)

(a.) The name of the Foreign Nationally/Federally chartered bank, savings bank, or savings and loan association is

(b.) The name(s) of any Trade Name(s) under which the corporation will conduct business:

(c.) The location of the main office (non-Ohio) shall be:

(street address)	NOTE: P.O. E	Box Addresses are NOT	acceptable.
(city, township, or village)	(county)	(state)	(zip code)
) The principal office location in the st	tate of Ohio shall be:		
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(e.) The corporation will exercise the following purpose(s) in the state of Ohio:

(Please provide a brief summary of the business to be conducted; a general clause is not sufficient)

2. Foreign Qualifying Limited Liability Company

(If the qualifying entity is a foreign limited liability company, the following information must be completed.)

(a.) The name of the limited liability company in its state of organization/registration is

(b.) The name under which the limited liability company desires to transact business in Ohio is

(c.) The limited liability company was organized or registered on ______under the laws of the state/country of ______

(d.) The address to which interested persons may direct requests for copies of the articles of organization, operating agreement, bylaws, or other charter documents of the company is:

(street address)	NOTE: P.O. Bo	ox Addresses are NOT a	cceptable.
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(a.) [·]	The name of the limited partnership is			
- (b.)	The limited partnership was formed on			
(c.)	The address of the office of the limited partne	ership in its state/co	ountry of organizatio	n is:
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	Name	Address		

suffici	ent space to cover this item, please attach a separate s	heet listing the general	partners and their respec	tive addresses)

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 NOTE: P.O. Box Addresses are NOT acceptable.

 (city, township, or village)
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 (state)
 (zip code)

The limited partnership hereby certifies that it shall maintain said records until the registration of the limited partnership in Ohio is canceled or withdrawn.

4.	Foreign	Qualifying	Partnership	Having	Limited	Liability
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(a.) The name of the partnership shall be

- (b.) Please complete the following appropriate section (either item b(l) or b(2)):
 - (1.) The address of the partnership's principal office in Ohio is:

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EXHIBIT B

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EXHIBIT C

KEY TECHNICAL & MANAGERIAL RESOURCES AND ABILITIES

(Attached)

MANAGERIAL & TECHNICAL QUALIFICATIONS

The best evidence of American Broadband's managerial and technical strengths is the Company's successful evolution from a start-up in 2003 to its current standing as a growth-positive integrated telecommunications company serving more than 35,000 customer lines. The same individuals that guided the Company to its current market position continue to provide the leadership necessary to implement smart growth into additional markets. American Broadband provides a full range of voice and data services to residential and business customers in Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Wisconsin.

Key Personnel

Jeffrey Ansted, President — Ansted has more than 12 years in the Broadband, Telecommunications and Internet industries. Ansted is currently President of American Broadband and Telecommunications where he has grown the company from a start-up to a regional integrated telecommunications company with over 35,000 customer lines. Previously, Ansted was the Director of Strategy and Wholesale Marketing at Covad Communications, the largest national data CLEC, where his contributions were integral to the strategy and revenue growth of the company from less than \$100MM in 1998 to over \$400MM in 2002. Prior to joining Covad, Ansted was the Director of National Sales for LaserLink Network services, the nation's largest Virtual Internet Service Provider (VISP), where he created and maintained the sales relationships and marketing initiatives for the Private label Internet services of American Express, Sony, Qwest and other Fortune 500 companies. Ansted earned his BA from the University of Toledo.

Dave Noe, Director of Operations — Noe's team is responsible for the Operations of American Broadband and Telecommunications, which entails all order entry, customer repair and maintenance activities, inventory management and network management. Noe has been with American Broadband and Telecommunications since 2004 and has been integral in building the automation and current scalability of the company.

John Roche, CPA, CMA - Director of Finance — Roche joined the company in October of 2007. He brings over 30 years of Financial, Marketing, M & A, Technical and Turn-Around experience in small and mid size companies. He has served as a CFO, a CEO and a Principal as well as a business consultant for several business organizations.

EXHIBIT D

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL VIABILITY FINANCIAL AFFIDAVIT

(Attached)

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Statement of Financial Viability

Applicant possesses the necessary financial resources to provide the services proposed in this Application. The Company has provided prepaid domestic telecommunications and mobile data services since 2004 and has a substantial customer base. The Company receives revenue from a number of sources including from the sale of prepaid telecommunications services to customers in Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. Consequently, American Broadband has reliable access to additional working capital to fund the Company's proposed operations, including the ability to meet any lease and ownership obligations associated with its provision of competitive telecommunications services.

American Broadband's proprietary financial statements are being submitted herewith subject to the protections of 4 CSR 240-2.135.

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I, Jeffrey Ansted, of lawful age and being first duly sworn, do hereby depose and state that:

I am President of American Broadband and Telecommunications Company ("American 1 Broadband"), the Applicant in the above referenced matter, and am authorized to make this Affidavit on behalf of the Company.

In my capacity as President I have executive responsibilities for the day to day financial 2. matters associated with American Broadband.

3. American Broadband possesses the technical, financial, and managerial resources and abilities to provide basic local exchange and exchange access telecommunications services in Missouri and support its ongoing Missouri operations on a sustained and uninterrupted basis in accordance with the financial standing requirements set forth in 4 CSR 240-3.510.

4. American Broadband has not defaulted on any of its financial obligations within the last three years.

Further affiant sayeth not.

Dated this $\frac{25}{2}$ day of April, 2014.

4 4 By:

Jeffrey Ansted President

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25^{th} day of April, 2014/

Notary Public My Commission expires: 5 - 7 - 1P



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