

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

In the Matter of the Request for)
Cancellation of the Certificate of Service) **File No. TD-2021-0260**
Authority for Talk America Services, LLC)

ORDER CANCELING CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE AUTHORITY

Issue Date: March 19, 2021

Effective Date: April 18, 2021

On February 16, 2021, Talk America Services, LLC (Talk America) notified the Commission that it wishes to voluntarily relinquish its certificate of service authority to provide basic local exchange, non-switch local exchange, and interexchange services in the State of Missouri. The Commission granted Talk America a certificate of service authority on November 17, 2014, in File No. LA-2015-0069. Talk America does not have a currently effective tariff.

The Commission established a time for parties to object or to request a hearing, and directed the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) to file a recommendation. On March 15, 2021, Staff filed a recommendation to cancel Talk America's certificate of service authority. No objections or requests for a hearing were filed. The Commission need not hold a hearing, if, after proper notice and opportunity to intervene, no party requests such a hearing.¹

The Commission has the authority to cancel a certificate and tariff pursuant to Section 392.410.5, RSMo (2016), which states, in part, “[a]ny certificate of service

¹ *State ex rel. Rex Deffenderfer Enterprises, Inc. v. Public Service Commission*, 776 S.W.2d 494 (Mo. App. W.D. 1989).

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 Talk America’s request and Staff’s recommendation, the Commission finds that the certificate of service authority granted to Talk America shall be canceled.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The certificate of service authority issued to Talk America in File No. LA-2015-0069 to provide basic local exchange, non-switch local exchange, and interexchange services is canceled.
2. This order shall be effective April 18, 2021.
3. This file shall close April 19, 2021.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Charles Hatcher, Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant
to Section 386.240 RSMo (2016).

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri
on this 19th day of March, 2021.