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Morris Woodruff Chief Judge/Secretary Missouri Public Service Commission 200 Madison Street Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-0360

Re: Notice of Discontinuance of the "TDS Telecom" Fictitious Name by: New London Telephone Company (ILEC), Orchard Farm Telephone Company (ILEC), and Stoutland Telephone Company (ILEC)

Dear Judge Woodruff:

On August 1, 2014, New Florence Telephone Company acquired all of the outstanding stock of New London Telephone Company, Orchard Farm Telephone Company, and Stoutland Telephone Company from TDS Telecommunications Corporation.

New Florence and TDS currently have a transition services agreement whereby TDS continues to provide certain services to its three former Missouri telephone companies. This transition period is scheduled to end on or about November 21, 2014. Accordingly, New London Telephone Company, Orchard Farm Telephone Company, and Stoutland Telephone Company plan to cease using the "TDS Telecom" fictitious name on November 21, 2014 and revert to the use of their existing legal names (*i.e.* New London Telephone Company, Orchard Farm Telephone Compa

Accordingly, and pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.062 and 4 CSR 240-3.545(20), the following regulated companies respectfully request that the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") acknowledge termination of the use of the "TDS Telecom" fictitious name and reversion to the use of their existing legal names:

New London Telephone Company Orchard Farm Telephone Company Stoutland Telephone Company *See* 4 CSR 240-2.062(1)(A). These entities are in good standing with the Missouri Secretary of State, and they are also in compliance with the Commission's Annual Report requirements. The companies are current with their Missouri USF and Commission assessments.

Because the companies are reverting to their existing legal names and terminating the use of a fictitious name, no evidence of registration of the fictitious name (TDS Telecom) is required by 4 CSR 240-2.062(1)(B),

Customers of the companies have been kept updated of the transition, and an example of customer notice as required by 4 CSR 240-2.062(C) is included as <u>Attachment A</u>.

As required by 4 CSR 240-2.062(D), copies of the adoption notices and revised tariff title sheets that were filed concurrently with this notice (with November 21, 2014 effective dates) reflecting the reversion to the legal names are included as <u>Attachment B</u>.

Finally, as required by 4 CSR 240-2.062(E), the company hereby states that it has reviewed its contacts in the Commission's electronic filing and information system (EFIS) and determined they are current and do not need to be updated.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

/s/ Brian McCartney

Brian T. McCartney

Enclosures

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