## **BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

## **OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of Joint Application of Comtel Telecom Assets LP and VarTec Telecom, Inc., Excel Telecommunications, Inc., and VarTec Solutions, Inc., for Approval of a Transfer of Assets

Case No. TM-2006-0186

## **ORDER CANCELING ADDITIONAL CERTIFICATE**

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Issue Date: June 28, 2006

Effective Date: July 7, 2006

**Syllabus:** This order cancels a certificate of service authority of VarTec Telecom Inc. d/b/a Clear Choice Communications in addition to the certificates canceled in the Commission's Order Canceling Certificates dated June 27, 2006.

On February 3, 2006, the Commission issued an order approving a sale of assets in which Comtel Telecom Assets LP (Comtel) acquired the assets of VarTec Telecom, Inc., Excel Telecommunications, Inc., and VarTec Solutions, Inc. (the VarTec Companies). In compliance with the Commission's February 3, 2006 order, the VarTec Companies notified the Commission that the transfer of assets was completed on June 7, 2006. The Staff of the Commission filed a verified recommendation and memorandum concerning the cancellation of the certificates on June 26, 2006, which was admitted into evidence, and Staff recommended the Commission cancel all of the certificates granted to the VarTec Companies.

VarTec Telecom, Inc., was authorized to provide competitive local exchange and interexchange services in Missouri in Case Nos. TA-2001-363 and TA-92-117. Excel

Telecommunications, Inc., was granted authority to provide local exchange and interexchange services in Case Nos. TA-97-8 and TA-90-117. VarTec Solutions was granted authority to provide local exchange and interexchange services in Case Nos. TA-97-7 and TA-95-298. These certificates were ordered canceled on June 27, 2006.

Additionally, Clear Choice Communications, Inc., was issued a certificate of authority to provide intrastate interexchange services in Case No. TA-95-116 that was transferred to VarTec Telecom Inc. d/b/a Clear Choice Communications in Case No. TM-96-150. This order cancels this additional certificate. The Commission has authority to cancel the certificates from Section 392.410.5, which provides that the Commission may alter or modify certificates of service authority.

## IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Clear Choice Communications, Inc.'s certificate of authority to provide intrastate interexchange services in Case No. TA-95-116 that was transferred to VarTec Telecom Inc. d/b/a Clear Choice Communications in Case No. TM-96-150 is canceled.

- 2. This order shall become effective on July 7, 2006.
- 3. This case may be closed on July 10, 2006.

(SEAL)

Harold Stearley, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240. RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 28th day of June, 2006.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary