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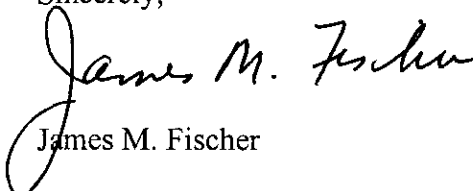
RE: *In the Matter of the Application of Big Planet, Inc. to Cancel its Certificate of Service Authority and Tariffs in the State of Missouri, Case No.*

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced matter are the original of the Application of Big Planet, Inc. A copy of the foregoing Application has been hand-delivered, emailed or mailed this date to each party of record.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,


James M. Fischer

Enclosures

cc: Office of the Public Counsel
General Counsel

**BEFORE THE
MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

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Application of)
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BIG PLANET, INC.)
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for Approval to Surrender Its Certificate)
of Service Authority and Withdraw its Tariff)

**Missouri Public
Service Commission**

Case No. _____

APPLICATION

Big Planet, Inc. ("Big Planet" or "Applicant"), by its undersigned counsel and pursuant to Section 392.460 of the Missouri Revised Statutes, MO. REV. STAT. § 392.460, hereby respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order canceling Big Planet's Certificate of Service Authority and approving the withdrawal of Big Planet's Missouri tariff currently on file with the Commission.

Big Planet submits the following information in support of this Application:

1. Big Planet is a privately held Utah corporation headquartered in Provo, Utah. Big Planet is authorized to provide resold intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in the State of Missouri pursuant to a Certificate of Service Authority granted by the Commission in Case No. TA-98-546 ("Certificate"). Big Planet's certificate of authority to do business from the Missouri secretary of state was provided in Case No. TA-98-564. Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.060(G), Big Planet requests that the certificate be incorporated by reference herein.

2. Big Planet does not provide telecommunications services to any customers in the State of Missouri and has no outstanding obligations to any Missouri customers in the form of deposits or pre-payments for services which have not or will not be provided.

3. Big Planet does not intend to operate as a provider of intrastate telecommunications services in Missouri and, therefore, desires to surrender its Certificate effective as soon as possible.

4. In connection with this Application, Big Planet withdraws and therefore also requests cancellation of its Missouri tariff currently on file with the Commission.

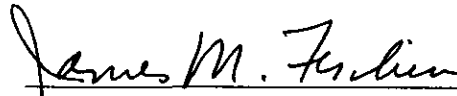
5. Any requirement to give prior written notice to customers of Big Planet's surrender of its Certificate is inapplicable in this instance because Big Planet has no customers in Missouri.

6. Big Planet submits that the surrender of its Certificate is reasonable, necessary and not disruptive to the present or future public interest, convenience and necessity of the State of Missouri.

7. Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.060(1)(K) & (L), Big Planet states that it does not have any pending actions or final unsatisfied judgments or decisions against it from any state or federal agency or court which involve customer service or rates, which action, judgment or decision has occurred within three (3) years of the date of the application. Big Planet does not, to the best of its knowledge, have any overdue annual reports or assessment fees in Missouri.

WHEREFORE, Big Planet respectfully requests that the Commission grant this Application and issue an Order canceling its Certificate and its Missouri tariff currently on file with the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,



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Dated: January 15, 2004

VERIFICATION

STATE OF UTAH :
COUNTY OF UTAH : SS.

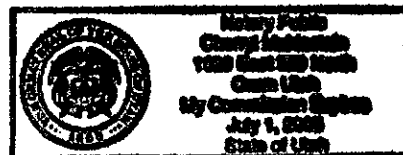
I, Larry Macfarlane, being first duly sworn, declare under penalty of perjury that: I am President of Big Planet, Inc., the Applicant in the foregoing Application; that I am authorized to make this Verification on behalf of the Applicant; that I have read the foregoing Application and know the contents thereof; and that the same are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Larry V. Macfarlane
(Signature)
Larry Macfarlane
President

Sworn and subscribed before me this 23 day of December, 2003.

Cheryl M. Hester
Notary Public

My commission expires *July 1, 2004*.

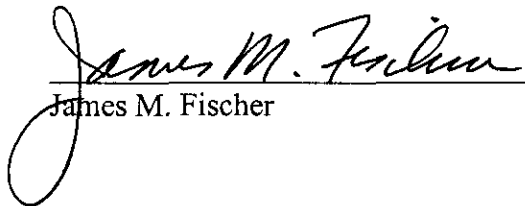


CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document has been hand-delivered, transmitted by email or mailed, First Class, postage prepaid this 15th day of January, 2004, to:

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