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TA-2000-243

In re: Navigator Telecommunications, L.L.C. -
Application to Amend Certificate of Service
Authority

Dear Mr. Wright:

On behalf of Navigator Telecommunications, L.L.C., I submit herewith for filing with the Public Service Commission an original and fourteen (14) copies of an Application to Amend Certificate of Service Authority previously granted by the Commission in Case No. TA-98-383 on June 25, 1998.

Based on a conversation that Michael McAlister, General Counsel of Navigator Telecommunications, L.L.C., had with Judge Dale Roberts several weeks ago, we are under the impression it is not necessary to attach the customary exhibits to this petition. Rather, we understand that we can ask the Commission to take judicial notice of the documents that were attached to our Application in case No. TA-98-383. Accordingly, as you will see, that is what we did in the subject Application. If this procedure is not acceptable, please advise accordingly.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. With best regards, I am,

Very truly yours,

MILLAR, SCHAEFER, HOFFMANN & ROBERTSON

By

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Mike McAlister

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

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Missouri Public
Service Commission

In the matter of the Application of
Navigator Telecommunications, LLC.,
to Amend its Certificate of Service Authority to
provide Basic Local and Local Exchange
Telecommunications Service
in portions of the State of Missouri

Case No. TA-2000-243

APPLICATION TO AMEND CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE AUTHORITY

Comes now Navigator Telecommunications, LLC. ("Navigator"), by its undersigned counsel, and hereby applies to amend its certificate of service authority to provide basic local telecommunications in portions of the State of Missouri. In support of its application, Navigator states as follows:

1. Navigator was granted a certificate of service authority to provide basic local exchange telecommunications services in Missouri by the Commission in Case No. TA-98-383 in an Order dated June 25, 1998, effective July 7, 1998. Navigator asks that the Commission take official notice of Case No. TA-98-383 and incorporate herein by reference the information set forth in that Application and proceeding as allowed pursuant to Chapter 2 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, specifically 4 CSR 240-2.060(4)(E) and 4 CSR 240-2.130, and in Missouri Revised Statutes Section 536.070.

2. All inquiries, correspondence, communications, pleadings, notices, orders and decisions relating to this case should be addressed to:

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3. Navigator is currently certified to provide basic local exchange services in the portions of Missouri served by SWBT. Navigator seeks to amend this certificate of authority to allow the provision of basic local exchange and local exchange telecommunications service on a facilities and resold basis throughout all exchanges currently served by the incumbent local exchange telecommunications companies of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWBT), Sprint/United Telephone Company (United), and GTE Midwest, Inc. (GTE). The specific SWBT, United, and GTE exchanges within which Navigator proposes to offer service are listed in the incumbent providers' respective local exchange tariffs. Navigator does not seek certification to provide service in any area that is served by a small incumbent local exchange provider.

4. Pursuant to this application, Navigator seeks to offer and provide all forms of basic local and local exchange telecommunications service, including residential and business services, PBX trunks, and optional services.

5. Navigator possesses the technical and managerial expertise and experience necessary to provide the service it proposes. Besides the certificate of authority it already possesses in Missouri, Navigator is authorized to provide basic local exchange telecommunications services in Arkansas, Texas, Kansas, Kentucky, Florida, Oklahoma, Michigan, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee. The Commission has already found that Navigator possesses the technical, managerial, and financial ability to provide basic local exchange services in Missouri in Case No. TA-98-383, incorporated herein by reference.

6. The Commission has classified Navigator as a competitive company subject to the conditions set out in the Order in Case No. TA-98-383 and subject to the waivers set out therein.

7. Upon approval of the amendments to its certificate of operating authority, Navigator will continue to offer basic local telecommunications as a separate and distinct service in accordance with applicable law, and will continue to give consideration to equitable access for all Missourians, regardless of where they might reside or their income, to affordable telecommunications services in Navigator's proposed service areas in accordance with applicable law.

8. Navigator, in seeking amendment to its certificate of service authority, requests that the waivers already granted in Case No. TA-98-383 remain in effect.

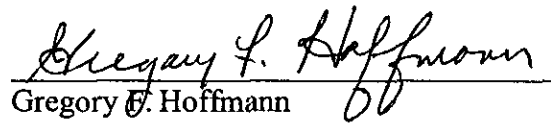
9. Navigator seeks a waiver of 4 CSR 240-2.060(4)(H), as Navigator is currently providing service in Missouri under an effective tariff previously approved by the Commission, which Navigator will amend upon approval of this Application. The Commission has already approved Navigator's interconnect agreements with SWBT (TO-98-375, approved 5/31/98), GTE (TO-99-185, approved 1/14/99), and United (TO-99-311, approved 4/11/99).

10. Navigator remains willing to comply with all applicable Commission rules and remains willing to meet all relevant service standards including, but not limited to, quality of service, billing, and tariff filing and maintenance.

11. Navigator submits that the public interest will be served by Commission approval of this application to amend its certificate of authority because the proposed expansion of Navigator's area of service will create and enhance competition and expand customer service options consistent with the legislative goals set forth in the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 and Chapter 392 RSMo. Prompt approval of this application to amend also will expand the availability of innovative, high quality, and reliable telecommunications within the State of Missouri.

WHEREFORE, applicant Navigator Telecommunications, LLC. respectfully requests that the Commission grant this amendment to its certificate of service authority to provide basic local telecommunications services as herein requested.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Gregory L. Hoffmann", is written over a horizontal line.

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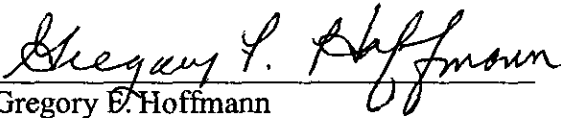
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing Application to Amend the Certificate of Authority of Navigator Telecommunications, LLC. have been mailed to those listed below, as of this 20th day of September, 1999:

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