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**Missouri Public
Service Commission**

Re: Comm South Companies, Inc.

TA-2000-509

Dear Judge Roberts:

Enclosed you will find for filing with your office on behalf of Comm South Companies, Inc. an original and fourteen copies of an Application to Amend Certificate of Service Authority.

Please call me if there are any questions. Thank you very much.

Very truly yours,

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of)
Comm South Companies, Inc., f/k/a)
Onyx Distributing Company, Inc.,)
d/b/a Missouri Comm South, Inc.)
for an Amendment to its Certificate of Authority)
to Resell Basic Exchange and Local Exchange)
Intrastate Telecommunications Services within)
the State of Missouri.)

Case No. TA-2000-509

APPLICATION TO AMEND CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE AUTHORITY

Comes now COMMSOUTH COMPANIES, INC., d/b/a MISSOURI COMMSOUTH, INC. (hereinafter "MCS", or "Applicant"), by and through its attorneys, and hereby files this Application to Amend its Certificate of Service Authority to provide Basic Exchange and Local Exchange Telecommunications Services within the State of Missouri. In support thereof, MCS submits the following to the Commission:

I. The Applicant

1. MCS is a telecommunications company subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission and engages in the business of providing resold basic local telecommunications service, including local calling ("dialtone"), on a prepaid basis only. Prepaid services are services for which a company does not perform consumer credit checking or application screening and which are paid for prior to service being rendered. MCS acquired its certificate of service authority to provide basic local telecommunications service and local exchange service in Case No. TA-97-203 before this Commission.

2. MCS is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Texas. MCS has been duly authorized by the Secretary of the State of Missouri to transact business as a foreign

corporation. Attached as Exhibit 1 is a Certificate of Good Standing issued by the Secretary of State of Missouri pertaining MCS's authority to engage in business in this state.

3. The designated contacts for purposes of this Application are:

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II. The Amendment

4. In its application filed in Case No. TA-97-203, MCS requested a certificate of service authority to provide resold basic local telecommunications services in those portions of Missouri that were currently served by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWBT).

5. MCS's business has seen steady growth and it desires to expand its provision of service into the exchanges of the other major local exchange companies in the state. Accordingly, MCS now seeks to amend its certificate of service authority to include authority to provide its services in all areas of Missouri wherein GTE Midwest Inc. (GTE) and Sprint are currently authorized by this Commission to serve. A list of the GTE and Sprint exchanges is set forth on Exhibit 2.

6. By this application, MCS does not seek to modify any of the terms and conditions

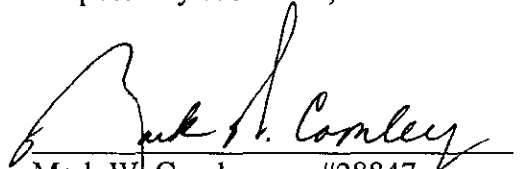
under which its certificate was issued, or the waiver of the provisions of any additional statutes or rules of the Commission. This application has been filed solely for the purpose of adding the exchanges served by GTE and Sprint to MCS's certificated service territory.

III. The Public Interest

7. Approval of this application will serve the public interest in that it will extend the benefits of competition more broadly into the basic exchange market, increase the diversity of choice and supply of telecommunications services and products in the exchanges in which MCS will offer service and will increase consumer access to competitive and affordable telecommunications services.

WHEREFORE, MCS respectfully requests the Commission to enter an order amending MCS certificate of service authority issued in Case No. TA-97-203 to include in its authorized service territory the exchanges set forth on Exhibit 2.

Respectfully submitted,



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Dated *February 17, 2000*

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was hand delivered or sent by U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, to the Office of Public Counsel, P.O. Box 7800, Jefferson City, MO 65102, on this 17th day of February, 2000.

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EXHIBIT 1

CORPORATE CERTIFICATE
MISSOURI SECRETARY OF STATE

No. F00428314

STATE OF MISSOURI



Rebecca McDowell Cook
Secretary of State

CORPORATION DIVISION

CERTIFICATE OF CORPORATE GOOD STANDING - FOREIGN CORPORATION

I, REBECCA McDOWELL COOK, Secretary of State of the State of Missouri, do hereby certify that the records in my office and in my care and custody reveal that

COMM SOUTH COMPANIES, INC.

using in Missouri the name

COMM SOUTH COMPANIES, INC.

a TEXAS corporation filed its Evidence of Incorporation with this State on the 28th day of JUNE, 1996, and is in good standing, having fully complied with all requirements of this office.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand and imprinted the GREAT SEAL of the State of Missouri, on this, the 18th day of JANUARY, 2000.


Secretary of State



EXHIBIT 2

EXCHANGES

GTE MIDWEST INCORPORATED MISSOURI EXCHANGES

Alton	Edgar Springs	Lewistown	Seymour
Amazonia	Eldorado Springs	Licking	Shelbina
Annapolis	Elkland	Louisburg	Shelbyville
Arcola	Ellsinore	Lowry City	Sheldon
Ashland	Elmer	Macon	Shell Knob
Augusta	Eminence	Manes	Sparta
Aurora	Everton	Mansfield	Stewartsville
Ava	Ewing	Mano	Stoutsville
Avenue City	Exeter	Marshfield	Sturgeon
Avilia	Fillmore	Marthasville	Summersville
Belgrade	Foley	Maysville	Thayer
Belle	Fordland	Milo	Theodosia
Bellevue	Foristell	Monroe City	Thomasville
Birch Tree	Forsyth	Montauk Park	Timber
Bland	Fremont	Monticello	Trimble
Blue Eye	Gainesville	Morrison	Troy
Bolckow	Galena	Moscow Mills	Truxton
Boss	Golden City	Mount Sterling	Turney
Bourbon	Gorin	Mt. Vernon	Urbana
Bradleyville	Gower	Mtn. Grove	Van Buren
Branson	Greenfield	Mtn. View	Vanzant
Branson West	Grovespring	Nebo	Vichy
Braymer	Hallsville	New Melle	Walker
Bronaugh	Hamilton	Niangua	Warrenton
Brunswick (Triplett)	Hartville	Norwood	Washburn
Buffalo	Hawk Point	Oates	Wasola
Bunker	Helena	O'Fallon	Wayland
Cabool	Hermann	Old Monroe	Weaubleau
Caledonia	Hermitage	Osborn	Wentzville
Cameron	High Hill	Osceola	West Plains
Canton	Highlandville	Ozark	West Quincy
Cape Fair	Holstein	Palmyra	Wheatland
Cassville	Houston	Paris	Whitesville
Caulfield	Humansville	Perry	Willow Springs
Cedar Creek	Hunnewell	Pittsburg	Winfield
Centerville	Hurley	Plattsburg	Winona
Centralia	Irondale	Potosi	Wooldridge
Chamois	Ironton	Prairie Home	Wright City
Clarence	Jamestown	Preston	
Clark	Jenkins	Protem	
Clarksdale	Jerico Springs	Raymondville	
Collins	Jonesburg	Reeds Spring	
Columbia	Kohoka	Revere	
Concordia	Keytesville	Roby	
Conway	Kidder	Rochepoint	
Crosby	Kimberling City	Rockaway Beach	
Crane	Kingston	Rockville	
Cross Timbers	Koshkonong	Rosendale	
Cuba	LaBelle	Safe	
Dadeville	Laddonia	St. James	
Dalton	LaGrange	St. Peters	
Dardenne/Lake St. Louis	La Plata	Santa Fe	
Defiance	Lawson	Sarcoie	
Dora	Leasburg	Savannah	
Easton	Lesterville	Schell City	

SPRINT MISSOURI EXCHANGES

Appleton City
Blackburn
Blairstown
Brazito
Buckner
Butler
Calhoun
California
Camden Point
Centertown
Centerview
Chilhowee
Clarksburg
Clinton
Coal
Cole Camp
Craig
Dearborn
Deepwater
Edgerton
Eugene
Fairfax
Ferrelview
Fort Wood
Greenridge
Hardin
Harrisonville
Henrietta
Holden
Holt
Holts Summit
Hopkins
Houstonia
Ionia
Jefferson City
Kearney
King City
Kingsville
Lake Lotawana
Lebanon
Leeton
Lexington
Lincoln
Lone Jack
Malta Bend
Maryville
Missouri City
Montrose
Mound City
New Bloomfield
Newburg

Norborne
Oak Grove
Odessa
Orrick
Otterville
Pickering
Platte City
Pleasant Hill
Richland
Rolla
Russellville
St. Robert
St. Thomas
Salem
Smithton
Strasburg
Sweet Springs
Syracuse
Taos
Tarkio
Tipton
Urich
Warrensburg
Warsaw
Waverly
Waynesville
Wellington
Weston
Windsor