

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

In the Matter of the Cancellation of the)	
Certificate of Service Authority for Value-)	<u>File No. XD-2022-0195</u>
Added Communications Services, Inc.)	

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) and for its *Recommendation* states:

1. On January 26, 2022, Global Tel*Link Corporation d/b/a ViaPath Technologies filed a letter requesting to cancel the certificate of service granted to its subsidiary, Value-Added Communications Services, Inc. d/b/a GTL (GTL), and any tariffs on file.

2. The Commission granted GTL a certificate of authority to provide competitive intrastate telecommunications services on January 3, 1992 in Case No. TA-92-17. GTL purports to have no customers in Missouri and no longer needs a certificate.

3. On January 27, 2022, the Commission issued an order and directed any party wishing to file an objection or request for a hearing shall do so by no later than February 7, 2022. In the same order, the Commission directed Staff to file a recommendation regarding the request to cancel the certificate of service authority and any accompanying tariffs no later than February 25, 2022. No party has made an objection or request for hearing.

4. Pursuant to Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-28.011(3), notice shall be provided to the Commission to cancel certification(s) or registration(s) previously granted by the Commission. Notice should comply with the following requirements:

(A) The company should submit written notice to the commission, as in a letter, containing the following information: (1) a statement requesting cancellation of a company's certification or registration citing the specific certificates of service authority and/or registrations; (2) If the company also has a currently effective tariff, then the letter should also request cancellation of that tariff; (B) The letter can be signed by a company official and does not need to be signed or filed by an attorney; and (C) The letter should be electronically filed in EFIS.

5. The Commission has the authority to cancel a telecommunications certificate pursuant to Section 392.410.5 RSMo, which provides "[a]ny certificate of service authority may be altered or modified by the commission after notice and hearing, upon its own motion or upon application of the person or company affected."

6. The Commission need not hold a hearing, if, after proper notice and opportunity to intervene, no party requests such a hearing. *State ex rel. Rex Deffenderfer Enterprises, Inc. v. Public Service Commission*, 776 S.W.2d 494 (Mo. App. W.D. 1989).

7. The letter filed in EFIS on January 26, 2022 meets the requirements of Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-28.011(3). Thus, it is Staff's recommendation that the Commission issue an order cancelling the certificate of authority and associated tariffs of GTL, per the Commission's authority under Section 392.410.5 RSMo.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully recommends the Commission cancel the certificate of service authority and the applicable tariffs on file for Value-Added Communications Services, Inc. d/b/a GTL; and grant such other and further relief as is just in the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by electronic mail, or First Class United States Postal Mail, postage prepaid, on this 24th day of February, 2022, to all counsel of record.

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