

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Reduced Rate)
Long Distance, LLC and Horizon Telecom, Inc. for) **Case No. XM-2008-0371**
Approval of a Transfer of Assets)

ORDER GRANTING STAFF'S REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE RECOMMENDATION

Issue Date: June 25, 2008

Effective Date: June 25, 2008

On May 27, 2008,¹ Reduced Rate Long Distance, LLC (“RRLD”) and Horizon Telecom, Inc. (“Horizon”) submitted a verified joint application to the Commission seeking its approval of a transaction whereby, pursuant to an Asset Purchase Agreement they executed on December 1, 2007, RRLD would acquire substantially all of Horizon’s assets (including, but not limited to, Horizon’s Missouri customer accounts) in exchange for the purchase price set forth in the Agreement. The joint applicants further requested that the Commission cancel Horizon’s existing Missouri tariffs and certificate of service authority and permit Horizon to discontinue providing telecommunications service to its former customers upon consummation of the transaction.

On May 30, the Commission directed its Staff to file a recommendation on the joint application by no later than June 30. On June 25, Staff filed its Request for Extension of Time to File Staff Recommendation, which states that although the joint applicants have agreed to provide Staff with certain additional information needed for Staff's

¹ Unless otherwise specified, all dates throughout this order refer to the year 2008.

recommendation, Staff needs an extension of time until July 10, explaining that it expects to be able to prepare and file its recommendation by then.

The Commission finds Staff's request, which is authorized by Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.050(3)(A), to be reasonable under the circumstances and shall grant it.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Staff's Request for Extension of Time to File Staff Recommendation is granted. Staff shall file its recommendation in this matter by no later than July 10, 2008.
2. This order shall become effective on June 25, 2008.

BY THE COMMISSION



Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

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Benjamin H. Lane, Regulatory Law
Judge, by delegation of authority
under Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 25th day of June, 2008.