BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Cancellation of Certificate of Service)	
Authority and Cancellation of Tariff of)	File No. XD-2011-0226
U.S. Telecom Long Distance, Inc.)	

WITHDRAWAL OF STAFF MOTION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and states as follows:

- 1. On January 4, 2011, the Staff filed a Motion to Cancel the certificate of service authority granted on October 25, 2001, to U.S. Telecom Long Distance, Inc. ("the Company"), because it reported no Missouri jurisdictional revenue for the past two years. Staff's motivation for its filing was not to be punitive, but to merely remove those telecommunications companies not actively involved in providing services in Missouri to better maintain the Commission's records.
- 2. On February 17, 2011, the Staff received the attached e-mail, in which the company indicates that it needs to maintain its Missouri certification as it anticipates doing business in Missouri in 2011. The Staff's Motion, if granted, could interfere with those anticipated efforts, which the Staff views as an undesirable result.

WHEREFORE, Staff withdraws its Motion to cancel the Certificate of Service Authority and tariff for U.S. Telecom Long Distance, Inc. and asks that this matter be closed without further Commission action.

Respectfully submitted,

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 3^{rd} day of March, 2011.

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To: Dale, Cully

Subject: Order Directing Notice File No. XD-2011-0226

Importance: High

Dear Ms. Dale:

Pursuant to the Missouri Public Service Commission's February 17, 2011 *Order Directing Notice* ("Order") in File No. XD-2011-0226, and my subsequent conversation with Bill Voight of Commission staff yesterday, this is to informally request that our client, U.S. Telecom Long Distance, Inc. ("USTLD"), be allowed to retain its current certificate of public convenience ("CPC&N") and necessity in anticipation of the Company's planned provision of service in 2011, and that the Order in this File be rescinded.

It is our understanding that the *Order* is predicated on staff's motion to cancel certificates of companies reporting zero Missouri intrastate revenue for the preceding year(s). Though USTLD has not yet provided service in Missouri, it now plans to do so in 2011, and seeks to retain its current operating authority, obviating the need for refilling of a new application. At the time the Company first sought CPC&N in Missouri, USTLD had anticipated the acquisition of a company already operating in the State. When the transaction did not take place, the Company focused its operations in other states where the Company had already initiated service. Focus on other states had been further necessitated by the down turn in the economy. As the company is now experiencing a more favorable market climate, it has elected to refocus its marketing efforts on Missouri and elsewhere. To that end, the Company has taken steps to commence service in Missouri on or about March 1, 2011. It is in anticipation of its initiation of service that we respectfully request the *Order* be rescinded and the Company be allowed to maintain its Missouri CPC&N.

Thank you for your kind attention to this matter. Questions may be directed to me at 253.851.6700, or via return email.

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