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

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In the Matter of the Cancellation of the Certificate of Service Authority to Provide Basic Local and Interexchange Telecommunications Services of American Fiber Network, Inc. File No. TD-2012-0157 Tariff No. JL-2003-0156 Tariff No. JL-2003-0157 Tariff No. JL-2005-0516

## ORDER CANCELING CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE AUTHORITY

Issue Date: December 15, 2011

Effective Date: January 14, 2012

On November 22, 2011, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff") filed a motion to cancel the certificate of service authority to provide basic local and interexchange telecommunication services and any accompanying tariffs granted to American Fiber Network, Inc. ("Company"). The Company was granted its certificate on March 3, 2000 in File No. TA-2000-305. The Company's tariffs, P.S.C. Mo. No. 1, 2, and 3, were also approved.

In support of its motion, Staff states that on September 17, 2010 the Company submitted information to the Commission in File No. TM-2011-0079 indicating that it was transferring substantially all of its assets to Birch Telecom of Missouri, Inc. and Ionex Communications, Inc. and would no longer provide services in Missouri, as all of its customers would be served by those other entities. Staff recommends that the Commission cancel the Company's certificate of service authority to provide basic local and interexchange telecommunication services and any accompanying tariffs.

On November 29, 2011, the Commission issued an Order Directing Notice allowing any parties to file an objection or request a hearing no later than December 9, 2011. No objections or requests for a hearing were filed.

The Commission has the authority to cancel a certificate and tariff pursuant to Section 392.410(5), RSMo (Supp. 2010), which states that "[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." Based on Staff's motion, the Commission finds that the certificate of service authority and accompanying tariffs granted to American Fiber Network, Inc. shall be canceled.

## THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The certificate of service authority to provide basic local and interexchange telecommunication services granted to American Fiber Network, Inc. in File No. TA-2000-305 is canceled.

- 2. The Company's tariffs, P.S.C. Mo. No. 1, 2, and 3, are canceled.
- 3. This order shall become effective on January 14, 2012.
- 4. This case may be closed on January 15, 2012.

## BY THE COMMISSION

Stevén C. Reed Secretary

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Michael Bushmann, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 15th day of December, 2011.