

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

In the Matter of the Request for Approval of)	
Rates and the Name Change of TeleQuality)	<u>File No. XR-2018-0295</u>
Communications, Inc. to TeleQuality)	Tariff No. YX-2018-0157
Communications, LLC)	

ORDER RECOGNIZING NAME CHANGE AND APPROVING REVISED RATES

Issue Date: May 25, 2018

Effective Date: May 29, 2018

On April 17, 2018, TeleQuality Communications, LLC submitted a cover letter and a revised tariff, issued and effective on April 18, 2018, that substituted specific rates for the maximum and minimum rates described in the company’s old tariffs. The cover letter explained that TeleQuality offers telecommunications services to health care providers in predominantly rural areas of Missouri under the federal Rural Health Care (RHC) program. A Federal Communications Commission regulation – 47 C.F.R. 54.607(b) – requires TeleQuality to submit its intrastate rates for such telecommunications services to the applicable state commission for approval. As required by the federal regulation, TeleQuality submitted a confidential itemized cost study purporting to demonstrate that each rate is cost-based. TeleQuality’s letter also indicated the company has changed its name from TeleQuality Communications, Inc. to TeleQuality Communications, LLC. The Commission directed its Staff to file a recommendation regarding the name change and the submitted tariff, which Staff did on May 16.

Staff’s May 16 recommendation advised the Commission that TeleQuality should be directed to file a new tariff with a ten-day effective date as required by Section 392.500(2), RSMo. Staff indicated it would file another recommendation after the ten-day tariff was filed.

TeleQuality responded to Staff's recommendation by filing a revised tariff on May 18, with an effective date of May 29.

Staff filed its second recommendation on May 23, indicating TeleQuality has complied with all statutory and regulatory requirements for changing its name. Staff recommends the Commission recognize the name change. Further, Staff concludes that TeleQuality has justified the rates it proposes and advises the Commission to approve the tariff that implements those rates.

The Commission finds that TeleQuality has appropriately changed its name and will recognize that change. Further, the Commission finds that TeleQuality has met the requirements of 47 C.F.R. 54.607 and that its proposed rural rates are just and reasonable and should be approved.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Commission recognizes the name change of TeleQuality Communications, Inc. to TeleQuality Communications, LLC.

2. The tariff submitted under Tariff No. YX-2018-0157 by TeleQuality Communications, LLC is approved, effective on and after May 29, 2018. The specific tariff approved is:

P.S.C. MO No. 4

3. This order shall be effective on May 29, 2018.

4. This file shall be closed on May 30, 2018.

BY THE COMMISSION



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Morris L. Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law
Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 25th day of May, 2018.

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission,
at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 25th day of May 2018.




Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,



**Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary**

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