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May 24, 2002

Missouri Public Service Commission Attn: Secretary of the Commission 200 Madison Street, Suite 100 P. O. Box 360 Jefferson City, MO 65102-0360.

RE: Case No.

Application of Reitz Rentals, Inc. d/b/a Southwest TeleConnect for Cancellation of Basic Local Certificate of Service Authority and Basic Local Exchange Tariff

Dear Secretary:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission you will find an original and 8 copies of the Application of Reitz Rentals. Inc. d/b/a Southwest TeleConnect for Cancellation of Basic Local Certificate of Service Authority and Basic Local Exchange Tariff for filing with the Commission.

Thank you for assistance in the processing this filing. A copy is being served on the General Counsel and Public Counsel. Please contact me at 634-8109 if there are any questions.

Sincerely,

Mary Ann (Garr) Young

**Enclosures** 

cc: General Counsel

Office of Public Counsel

Glenn Richards, Shaw Pittman

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

n the Matter of the Application of	)	
Reitz Rentals, Inc. d/b/a SouthWest	)	
TeleConnect for Cancellation of	)	
Basic Local Certificate of Service	)	Case No.
Authority and Cancellation of	)	
Basic Local Exchange Tariff	)	

Application of Reitz Rentals, Inc. d/b/a SouthWest TeleConnect for Cancellation of Basic Local Certificate of Service Authority and Basic Local Exchange Tariff

COMES NOW Reitz Rentals, Inc. d/b/a SouthWest TeleConnect ("SouthWest") by and through undersigned counsel, and pursuant to Section 392.460 RSMo. hereby files this Application for Cancellation of Certificate of Basic Local Service Authority and Basic Local Tariff. In support of this Application, SouthWest states as follows:

- 1. Southwest Teleconnect is a Texas corporation with its principal offices located at 7000 Cameron Road, Suite 200, Austin, Texas 78752-2828. Its mailing address is P.O. Box 200606, Austin, Texas 78720-0606. SouthWest TeleConnect was authorized in Case No. TA-2000-396 to provide basic local telecommunications services in the State of Missouri. A copy of Southwest Teleconnect's authorization to do business in Missouri was provided in Case No. TA-2000-396 and is incorporated herein by reference pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.060(1)(G).
- 2. As of April 15, 2002, SouthWest terminated its provision of telecommunications service in Missouri and thus no longer has any subscribers or revenue. Pursuant to an agreement between SouthWest and Metro Teleconnect Companies, Inc. ("Metro Teleconnect"), on April 15, 2002 Metro Teleconnect acquired the customer base served by SouthWest. The Commission approved the transfer of SouthWest's Missouri customers to Metro Teleconnect in its Order Approving Transfer of Assets, entered February 7, 2002 in Case No. TM-2002-218.

- 3. By letter dated March 15, 2002, SouthWest and Metro Teleconnect informed SouthWest's customers that they would begin receiving service from Metro Teleconnect on April 15, 2002. A copy of this letter is attached hereto as Attachment A.
- 4. The purpose of canceling SouthWest's certificate and tariff is to clarify the fact that SouthWest no longer provides telecommunications service in Missouri.
- 5. All inquiries, correspondence, communications, pleadings, notices, orders and decisions relating to the case should be addressed to:

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## with a copy to:

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- 6. Because SouthWest is not currently providing service to any Missouri customers, cancellation of SouthWest's certificate and tariff will not affect any Missouri customers nor will it affect the competitive landscape in Missouri. Thus, there will be no detriment to the public interest.
- 7. In accordance with 4 CSR 240-2.060(1)(K), SouthWest states that there are no pending actions or final unsatisfied judgments or decisions against SouthWest in any state, federal agency, or court which involve customer service or rates for which action, judgment, or decision has occurred within three (3) years of the date of this Application.

8. Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.060(1)(L), SouthWest states that it is not aware of any overdue annual reports or fees owed to the Missouri Public Service Commission. However, if SouthWest is advised during pendency of this proceeding that any such reports or fees are owed, SouthWest agrees to submit appropriate reports or fees prior to issuance of the Commission's Order in this case.

WHEREFORE, Reitz Rentals, Inc. d/b/a SouthWest TeleConnect respectfully requests that the Commission cancel its Basic Local Certificate of Service Authority and Basic Local Exchange Tariff.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: 5/24/02

Certificate of Service

hereby certify that a copy of this document has been hand delivered or mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid, to the Public Counsel and the General Counsel on this 24th day of May 2002.

Mary Ann (Garr) Young

## METRO TELECONNECT COMPANIES SOUTHWEST TELECONNECT

Providing Quality Local Telephone Service

March 15, 2002

Dear Southwest Teleconnect Customer.

Metro Teleconnect Companies and Southwest Teleconect are pleased to announce that, effective April 15, 2002, Southwest Teleconnect's customers will begin receiving local telephone service from Metro Teleconnect Companies. This will not affect the manner in which you receive service.

Metro Teleconnect Companies will take all necessary steps to ensure that your basic local service is transferred to Metro Teleconnect Companies with out any interruption, charge, or inconvenience to you. Metro Teleconnect Companies will be responsible for any carrier change charges associated with this transfer of service from Southwest Teleconnect. If you would like freeze protection after this transfer, please contact Metro Teleconnect Companies and we will block you line from being switched to another carrier without your approval. Metro Teleconnect Companies does not assume any responsibility for any complaint you may have against Southwest Teleconnect.

Until further notice, Metro Teleconnect Companies will be operating under the same rates, terms, and conditions as your current Southwest Teleconnect agreement. Metro Teleconnect Companies will notify you of any changes to rates, terms, or conditions as required by regulatory authorities. You will continue to be billed monthly for your next month's service. Please be advised that you may transfer your account to another local carrier at any time.

Please remit payment to:

Metro Teleconnect Companies P.O. Box 67070 Harrisburg, PA 17106-7070

If you have any questions, please contact Metro Teleconnect Companies' business office toll-free at 1-800-695-6955. Our office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Eastern time), Monday through Friday.

Southwest Teleconnect, P.O. Box 67070, Harrisburg, PA 17106-7070, will no longer be providing local telephone service in your state as of April 15, 2002. The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object you should file your comments within fourteen (14) days after receipt of this notification. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Washington, DC 20054. Referencing the M 63.71 Application of Southwest Teleconnect. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

Metro Teleconnect Companies is pleased to have you as a customer and looks forward to providing you with quality telephone service for many years to come.