# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Revocation of the Service Authority of iCore Networks, Inc.

File No. DD-2017-0293

## ORDER CANCELING AUTHORITY

Issue Date: July 26, 2017

Effective Date: August 9, 2017

The Commission's staff ("Staff") initiated this action with a complaint to revoke the registration to offer interconnected voice over internet protocol ("iVoIP") services ("registration") of iCore Networks, Inc. ("iCore").<sup>1</sup> But Staff now relates<sup>2</sup> that iCore seeks cancellation of the registration. On Staff's reference to documents filed with the Commission, the Commission may consider such document as part of the record.<sup>3</sup>

### Findings of Fact

- 1. iCore holds a registration to provide iVoIP services in Missouri.<sup>4</sup>
- 2. iCore has ceased to provide iVoIP services in Missouri.<sup>5</sup>

### Conclusions of Law

Staff cites the Commission's regulation providing for cancellation of registration:

Notice shall be provided to the commission to cancel certification(s) or registration(s) previously granted by the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> EFIS No. 1 (May 4, 2017) *Motion to Revoke Authority*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Electronic Filing Information System ("EFIS") No. 11 (July 17, 2017) *Staff's First Amended Motion for Cancellation*. All references to EFIS are to this File No. DD-2017-0293 except as otherwise stated.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Section 536.070(5), RSMo 2016.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> File No. DA-2015-0165 Interconnected Voice over Internet Protocol Registration EFIS No. 2 (May 24, 2014) Interconnected Voice Over Internet Protocol Registration.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> EFIS No. 8 (July 13, 2017) *Follow Up to Staff Response*.

commission. Such notice shall comply with the following requirements:

(A) The company shall submit written notice to the commission, a letter containing the following information:

1. A statement requesting cancellation of a company's certification or registration and citing the specific certificates of service authority and/or registrations; and

2. If the company also has a currently effective tariff, then the letter shall also request cancellation of the company's tariff;

(B) The letter can be signed by a company official and does not need to be signed or filed by an attorney; and

(C) The letter shall be electronically filed in EFIS. [<sup>6</sup>]

Relevant to that provision, Staff cites a letter from iCore, copied to the Commission, stating

that iCore has no objection to the revocation of the registration.<sup>7</sup>

In the context of Staff's filings and iCore's correspondence, stating that iCore has

ceased to provide iVoIP services in Missouri, the Commission will deem the letter to be a

request for cancellation of iCore's registration. The regulation specifically does not require

the signature of a lawyer licensed in Missouri, and makes the signature of a company

official optional, and no party cites any currently effective tariff. Nothing requires the

Commission to convene an evidentiary hearing before granting unopposed relief,<sup>8</sup> so the

Commission will cancel iCore's registration.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> 4 CSR 240-28.030(10)(A).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> EFIS No. 8 (July 13, 2017) *Follow Up to Staff Response*. That letter was in response to Staff's earlier basis for revoking for iCore's registration: ceasing to do business in Missouri. EFIS No. 6 (June 15, 2017) *Staff's Response*. Staff's original theory for revoking iCore's registration was that iCore had violated Missouri statutes and regulations. EFIS No. 1 (May 4, 2017) *Motion to Revoke Authority*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> <u>State ex rel. Rex Deffenderfer Ent., Inc. v. Public Serv. Comm'n</u>, 776 S.W.2d 494, 496 (Mo. App., W.D. 1989).

## THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The registration of iCore Networks, Inc. to provide interconnected voice over

internet protocol services is canceled.

- 2. This order shall be effective on August 9, 2017.
- 3. This file may close after August 10, 2017.

## BY THE COMMISSION



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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

Daniel Jordan, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2017.

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 19<sup>th</sup> day of July 2017.



Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

## MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

### July 19, 2017

#### File/Case No. DD-2017-0293

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

Sincerely,

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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

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