

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

In the Matter of the Discontinuance of the)
Certificate of Service for Telecom) **File No. XD-2024-0138**
Management, Inc. d/b/a Pioneer Telephone) **Tariff No. YX-2005-0170**

STAFF’S RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Staff”),
by and through counsel, and for its *Recommendation*, states the following:

1. On October 20, 2023, Telecom Management, Inc. d/b/a Pioneer Telephone (“Pioneer” or “Company”) filed its request to cancel its certificate of service authority (CCN) to provide interexchange telecommunication services in the State of Missouri, as well as its MO PSC No. 1 tariff under Tariff No. YX-2005-0170.

2. On October 24, 2023, the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”) ordered Staff to file its *Recommendation* regarding the CCN and any accompanying tariff no later than November 20, 2023.

3. The Commission has the authority to cancel a telecommunications certificate pursuant to Section 392.410.5 RSMo 2000, which provides “[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.”

4. The Commission need not hold a hearing, if, after proper notice and opportunity to intervene, no party requests such a hearing.¹ The Company stated that it has no customers in the State of Missouri.

¹ *State ex rel. Rex Deffenderfer Enterprises, Inc. v. Public Service Commission*, 776 S.W.2d 494 (Mo. App. W.D. 1989).

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully recommends that the Commission cancel Telecom Management, Inc. d/b/a Pioneer Telephone's certificate of service authority to provide interexchange telecommunications services and Tariff No. 1, as well as grant such other and further relief as is just in the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all parties and/or counsel of record on this 17th day of November, 2023.

/s/ Eric Vandergriff