

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Aptitude Internet, LLC)
Application for Designation as an Eligible)
Telecommunications Carrier for Purposes of) **File No. TA-2021-0198**
Receiving Federal Universal Service Support)

ORDER SUSPENDING REQUIREMENT FOR STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Issue Date: February 2, 2021

Effective Date: February 2, 2021

On January 5, 2021, Aptitude Internet, LLC (Aptitude) filed its application for designation as a wireless Eligible Telecommunications Carrier. Attorney Kristopher E. Twomey, whose office is identified as in Washington, D.C., signed the application as attorney for Aptitude. It does not appear, however, from the face of the application, whether Mr. Twomey is licensed to practice law in the state of Missouri,¹ and the application contains no motion for leave to practice before the Commission pro hac vice, as required for an attorney not licensed in Missouri according to Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.040. Thus, the Commission issued a Notice of Deficiency on January 25, 2021.

On February 2, 2021, the Staff of the Commission filed a Motion for Extension. Staff explains that Aptitude has yet to cure its deficiency and, thus, the Commission should extend Staff's February 5, 2021 deadline to file a Recommendation. The Commission finds Staff's motion reasonable, and will grant it.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The requirement for the Staff of the Commission to file a Recommendation is suspended until further notice.
2. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Ronald D. Pridgin, Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 2nd day of February, 2021.

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 2nd day of February, 2021.




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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