

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

In the Matter of the Application of Comcast)
Phone of Missouri, LLC for Authorization to) **File No. LO-2017-0057**
Expand Local Telecommunication)
Service to the Entire State of Missouri)

**ORDER GRANTING EXPANDED AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE**

Issue Date: August 25, 2016

Effective Date: September 4, 2016

On August 24, 2016, Comcast Phone of Missouri, LLC (Comcast Phone) filed an application to expand its service area to provide telecommunications services in the entire state of Missouri. Comcast Phone currently has authority to provide service in the exchanges of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company and Sprint Missouri, Inc.

Section 392.450.3, RSMo (Cum. Supp. 2013) requires the Commission to grant Comcast Phone's request for an expanded service area within thirty days if the applicant "is in good standing, in all respects, with all applicable commission rules and requirements." On the basis of that statute, the Commission directed its Staff to file a recommendation regarding the application by September 9, 2016. However, section 392.611.4, RSMo (Cum. Supp. 2013) provides that telecommunications companies seeking to provide telecommunications services may choose to avoid the other statutory requirements and instead follow the registration procedures described in section 392.550, RSMo (Cum. Supp. 2013). That section requires the Commission to grant a registration, without a hearing, and no later than thirty days after the filing of an application accompanied by a described affidavit.

The Commission's review of the application establishes that Comcast Phone has complied with the requirements of section 392.550 and, as a result, no Staff recommendation will be required. As required, the Commission will grant the application for expanded authority.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Comcast Phone of Missouri, LLC's application for change in service area is granted, and the company may provide service in the entire state of Missouri.
2. The Commission's order of August 24, 2016, directing Staff to file a recommendation regarding the application, is withdrawn.
3. This order shall become effective on September 4, 2016.
4. This file may be closed on September 5, 2016.

BY THE COMMISSION



A handwritten signature in cursive script 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 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 25th day of August, 2016.