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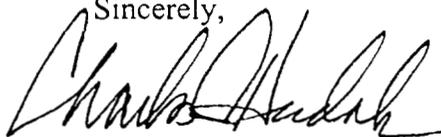
Re: Notice of Intent of Empire Telecom Services, Inc. to Provide Local Exchange Service, Intrastate Interexchange Services and Alternate Operator Services Within the Commonwealth of Kentucky ("Notice")

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed are the original and four (4) copies of the Notice. Please file the Notice in your usual fashion and return one (1) file-stamped copy to us in the enclosed envelope.

If you have any questions or comments, please call the undersigned.

Sincerely,



Charles A. Hudak

Enc.

cc: Empire Telecom Services, Inc.
(with enclosure)

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY**

IN RE:

EMPIRE TELECOM SERVICES, INC.'S)
NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROVIDE)
LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE,)
INTRASTATE INTEREXCHANGE) DOCKET NO. _____
SERVICES AND ALTERNATE OPERATOR)
SERVICES WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH)
OF KENTUCKY)

**NOTICE OF INTENT OF
EMPIRE TELECOM SERVICES, INC.**

COMES NOW Empire Telecom Services, Inc. ("Empire") and hereby submits to the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the "Commission") this notice of Empire's intent to provide local exchange, intrastate interexchange and alternate operator telecommunications services to customers throughout the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Pursuant to the Commission's rulings in Administrative Case Number 359 and Administrative Case Number 370, Empire hereby states as follows.

1. **Name, Address and Telephone Number.** Empire's legal name, address and telephone numbers are:

Empire Telecom Services, Inc.
9040 Roswell Road, Suite 480
Atlanta, Georgia 30350-1892
Tel: (404) 659-9500
Fax: (404) 659-4900

2. **Articles of Incorporation.** A copy of Empire's articles of incorporation and by-laws are attached hereto at Exhibit "A".

3. **Authorization to Transact Business in Kentucky.** Empire is currently in the process of applying for a Certificate of Authority to transact business in Kentucky. Empire intends to amend

Application to add its Certificate of Authority at Exhibit "B" immediately upon receipt of same
to the Kentucky Secretary of State.

Contact Information for Complaints and Regulatory Matters. The officer of Empire
to whom the Commission is requested to direct correspondence or complaints is:

Alan B. Thomas, Jr.
Executive Vice President
Empire Telecom Services, Inc.
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Mr. Hudak or Mr. Macdonald should be contacted in connection with questions regarding Empire's
general operation and management, as well as any tariff-related matters.

In addition, customers may contact Empire's customer service representatives regarding a
broad range of service matters, including: (i) the types of services offered by Empire and the rates
associated with such services; (ii) monthly billing statements; and (iii) problems or concerns relating
to a customer's service. Empire's toll-free telephone number for customer assistance is: 1 (888) 455-
1511. Empire's customer service representatives will be able to assist customers twenty-four (24)
hours per day, seven (7) days per week.

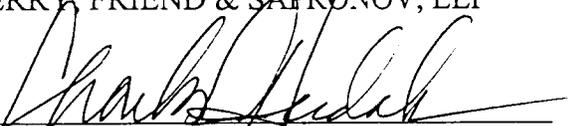
5. **No Unauthorized Service.** Empire has neither provided, nor collected revenue from its
provision of, intrastate telecommunications services in the Commonwealth of Kentucky prior to

this notification with the Commission. A notarized statement to this effect is attached hereto
at Exhibit "C".

o. **Initial Tariff.** Empire's initial tariffs are attached hereto at Exhibit "D". These initial tariffs
are scheduled to become effective thirty (30) days after the date of this filing.

Respectfully submitted this 5th day of November, 1999.

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