

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

NASHVILLE TENNESSEE

March 14, 2006

IN RE:

**APPLICATION OF PREMIERE NETWORK SERVICES,
INC. FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE
AND NECESSITY TO PROVIDE COMPETING
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES**

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**DOCKET NO.
00-00632**

Company ID: 128610

**ORDER REVOKING AUTHORITY GRANTED TO
PREMIERE NETWORK SERVICES, INC. FOR FAILURE TO PROVIDE
SURETY BOND OR IRREVOCABLE LETTER OF CREDIT**

This matter came before Chairman Ron Jones, Director Pat Miller and Director Sara Kyle of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the "Authority"), the voting panel assigned to this docket, at a regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on February 6, 2006 to consider whether to revoke the authority of Premiere Network Services, Inc. (the "Company") to conduct business in the State of Tennessee as a public utility for failure to comply with Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-125(j) (2004).¹

The Company originally filed an Application for a certificate to provide competing telecommunications services within the State of Tennessee on July 17, 2000. During a Hearing held on October 12, 2000, the Hearing Officer found that the Company had met all the

¹ Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-125(j) (2004) provides:

By September 1, 2000, all telecommunications service providers subject to the control and jurisdiction of the authority, except those owners or operators of public telephone service who pay annual inspection and supervision fees pursuant to § 65-4-301(b), or any telecommunications service provider that owns and operates equipment facilities in Tennessee with a value of more than five million dollars (\$5,000,000), shall file with the authority a corporate surety bond or irrevocable letter of credit in the amount of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to secure the payment of any monetary sanction imposed in any enforcement proceeding, brought under this title or the Consumer Telemarketing Protection Act of 1990, compiled in title 47, chapter 18, part 15, by or on behalf of the authority.

requirements for certification and the requirements of Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. 1220-4-2-.57, which was promulgated pursuant to, *inter alia*, Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-2-102 (2004) and Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-201 (2004), and approved the Application as filed.

A notice advising the Company of its failure to comply with the requirements of Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-125(j) (2004) was mailed on July 29, 2005. A second notice was sent via certified mail on August 22, 2005.

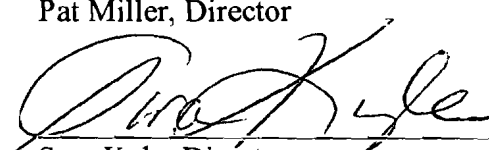
As of the February 6, 2006 Authority Conference, the Company had failed to file with the Authority a \$20,000 corporate surety bond or an irrevocable letter of credit to secure the payment of any monetary sanction imposed in any enforcement proceeding. Accordingly, the panel voted unanimously to revoke the authority of the Company to conduct business in the State of Tennessee as a public utility.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

The authority of Premiere Network Services, Inc. granted in Docket No. 00-00632 to conduct business in the State of Tennessee as a public utility is revoked, and this docket is closed.



Ron Jones, Chairman

Pat Miller, Director

Sara Kyle, Director