# TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

502 Deaderick Street, 4th Floor Nashville, Tennessee 37243

#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Herbert H. Hilliard, Chairman

David F. Jones, Vice Chairman Robin L. Morrison, Director

FROM:

Ectory Lawless, Law Clerk, Compliance Division Shiva K. Bozarth, Chief, Compliance Division

DATE:

October 7, 2015

REFERENCE: Cancellation of Authority-Yak Communications (America), Inc.

Inc. Docket Number#04-00043

The Compliance Division recommends the cancellation of authority of the following company for non-payment of regulatory fees: Yak Communications (America), Inc. Company ID#128887.

Form UD-16 ("Computation of Gross Receipts and Calculation of Inspection Fee") together with payment of the applicable inspection fee was due on or before April 1, 2015. Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-303, the annual inspection fee is based on the intrastate revenues for the previous year. Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-308 provides for a penalty of 10% per month, or fraction thereof, for inspection fees not received by April 1st.

The Authority sent notice, via first class mail, on January 30, 2015, advising this company of its obligation to file the Form UD-16 and pay the appropriate inspection fee. Please see attached.

On June 2, 2015, the Tennessee Regulatory Compliance Division sent a Notice of Cancellation, via certified mail, return receipt requested, and first class regular mail to the company advising that if it failed to respond to the certified notice by June 30, 2015, the Compliance Division will request the cancellation of its authority to conduct business in the state of Tennessee.

On September 2, 2015, the Tennessee Regulatory Compliance Division sent a Notice of Cancellation, via certified mail, return receipt requested, and first class regular mail to the company advising that if it failed to respond to the certified notice by September 30, 2015, the Compliance Division will request the cancellation of its authority to conduct business in the state of Tennessee.

On September 11, 2015, the Compliance Division received a letter from INCORP, the registered agent in Tennessee for Yak Communications (America), Inc., informing the Compliance Division that the September 2, 2015, Notice of Cancellation Letter was received by them on September 8, 2015. INCORP further stated they have done their due diligence in trying to contact their client; however, none of the contact information provided to them by Yak has shown to be helpful. Emails are unavailable, phone numbers are disconnected and mailed letters have been returned.

As evidenced above, the appropriate recourse is to terminate the company's certificate of convenience and public necessity to conduct business in the state of Tennessee as a public utility.

Attachments: (Collective Exhibit 1)

cc: Jean Stone

Lisa Cooper David Foster

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January 30, 2015

Company ID: 128887 Yak Communications (America), Inc. 300 71st Street Miami Beach, FL 33141-0000

Dear Regulatory Manager:

The enclosed Statement of Gross Earnings and Computation of Inspection Fee (Form UD-16) for the year ended December 31, 2014, is due to the Authority, together with payment of the appropriate inspection fee, **on or before April 1, 2015**.

The UD-16 form is available in Excel format on the TRA's website (www.tn.gov/tra) under "TRA Forms" located in the "TRA Documents" section at the bottom of the portal. Upon input of the company's information and revenues, the fee will be automatically calculated.

If the Company is required to file an annual report with the TRA and the intrastate gross earnings reported on this statement do not correspond to the intrastate gross revenues reported on the annual report filed, please attach a reconciliation of the two amounts and forward it to this office together with the Form UD-16. As a reminder, Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-308 provides for a penalty of 10% per month, or fraction thereof, for fees not received by April 1st.

Attached to this letter is a brief summary explaining the terms used on the UD-16 form. If you have any questions concerning the statement, please contact me at 615.770.6990, or at chris.eaton@tn.gov.

Sincerely,

Chris Eaton Fiscal Officer

**Enclosures** 

Telephone 615.741.2904, Toll-Free 1.800.342.8359, Facsimile 615.741.5015 www.tn.gov/tra

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June 2, 2015

SENT VIA CERTIFIED MAIL NUMBER: 7014 2870 0001 1265 8028 AND BY UNITED STATES FIRST CLASS POSTAGE MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Company ID#: 128887 Yak Communications (America), Inc. 80 State Street Albany, New York, 12207-2543

ATTENTION: COMPLIANCE REGULATORY AFFAIRS MANAGER

#### **NONPAYMENT**

According to the TRA's records, the 2014 Statement of Gross Earnings and Computation of Inspection Fee (UD-16)) together with the applicable fee due April 1, 2015, has not been received as of the date of this letter. Therefore, a penalty of 10% per month, or a fraction thereof, pursuant to TCA §65-4-308, will be assessed from April 1, 2015, through the date the payment is received.

If the payment is received by June 30, 2015, the total penalty to be assessed is 30% of the fee that was due on April 1, 2015. It is imperative that we receive the balance due June 30, 2015.

If this company is no longer providing telecommunication services in Tennessee and desires to have its authority cancelled, please forward a written request to that effect to my attention.

Should you have any questions, I can be reached at (615) 770-6898, or my e-mail address: <a href="mailto:ectory.r.lawless@tn.gov">ectory.r.lawless@tn.gov</a>. Facsimile 615.741.9934

Sincerely,

Ectory Lawless Paralegal

Shiva K. Bozarth Chief of Compliance Division



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September 2, 2015

SENT VIA CERTIFIED MAIL NUMBER: 7014 2870 0001 1265 8578 AND BY UNITED STATES FIRST CLASS POSTAGE MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Company ID#: 128887 Yak Communications (America), Inc. 80 State Street Albany, New York, 12207-2543

ATTENTION: COMPLIANCE REGULATORY AFFAIRS MANAGER CANCELLATION OF AUTHORITY

The above company is subject to being cancelled for failure to pay its annual inspection fee (UD16) pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-301(a).

Tenn. Code Ann. §65-4-301(a) provides: Every public utility doing business in this state and subject to the control and jurisdiction of the Authority to which the provisions of this chapter apply, shall pay to the state of Tennessee on or before April 1of each year, a fee for the inspection, control and supervision of the business, service and rates of such public utility. [Emphasis supplied]

According to the TRA's records, the 2014 Statement of Gross Earnings and Computation of Inspection Fee (UD-16) together with the applicable fee due April 1, 2015, has not been received as of the date of this letter. Furthermore, TCA §65-4-308 provides for a penalty of 10% per month, or a fraction thereof for inspection fees not received by April 1.

The Authority sent notice, via Certified Mail Number: 7014 2870 0001 1265 8028, on June 2, 2015 advising this company of its obligation to file the UD-16 Form and pay the appropriate inspection fee. Even if a company does not have any Tennessee intrastate gross receipts, the minimum fee of \$100 is due.

It is imperative that we receive the balance due no later than September 30, 2015. If the balance due is not received by September 30, 2015, the Tennessee Regulatory Authority's Compliance Division will request the cancellation of your authority to conduct business in Tennessee.

If this company is no longer providing telecommunication services in Tennessee and desires to have its authority cancelled, please forward a written request to that effect to my attention.

Should you have any questions, I can be reached at (615) 770-6898, or my e-mail address: ectory.r.lawless@tn.gov. Facsimile 615.741.9934

Paralegal

Shiva K. Bozarth

Chief of Compliance Division

Enclosure: Statement of Gross Earnings and Computation of Inspection Fee (UD-16)



NON MARKET REGULATED FORM UD-16 (Excel Format)

### **TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY** STATEMENT OF GROSS EARNINGS AND COMPUTATION OF INSPECTION FEE DUE DATE: April 1, 2015

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Yak Communications (America), Inc.

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September 11, 2015

Tennessee Regulatory Authority ATTN: Ectory Lawless 502 Deaderick Street, 4th Floor Nashville, Tennessee 37243

RE: YAK AMERICA INC. – a Tennessee entity | Company ID#: 128887 Cancellation of Authority

To whom it may concern:

Please be advised that as the Registered Agent for the above referenced entity, we have been unable to contact this client in regards to the Service of Process document that was forwarded to us to serve our client **September 8, 2015**.

We do our best due diligence in trying to contact clients. In this case, none of the contact information provided to us when their account was established has shown to be helpful. Emails are unavailable, phone numbers are disconnected, and mailed letters have been returned. Also, this client's account is past due with InCorp.

If we are able to reach this business entity at some point in the future, we will forward the document to them that were sent to us as their Registered Agent. Thank you.

Regards,

Melanie Galero InCorp Services, Inc. – Service of Process Dept. Toll Free: 800-246-2677 Melanie.Galero@incorp.com



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