



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-Independent Telecommunications Systems,
Inc. Docket Number#04-00108

The Compliance Division recommends the cancellation of authority of the following company for non-payment of regulatory fees: Independent Telecommunications Systems. Company ID#128894.

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.

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: 128894
Independent Telecommunications Systems, Inc.
4079 Park East Court
Kentwood, MI 49546-0000

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
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Non-Market Regulated Firms



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June 2, 2015

SENT VIA CERTIFIED MAIL NUMBER: 7014 2870 0001 1265 7502
AND BY UNITED STATES FIRST CLASS POSTAGE MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Company ID#: 128894
Independent Telecommunications Systems, Inc.
4079 Park Eat Court
Kentwood, Michigan 49546

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: ectory.r.lawless@tn.gov.
Facsimile 615.741.9934

Sincerely,


Ectory Lawless
Paralegal


Shiva K. Bozarth
Chief of Compliance Division

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To Independent Telecommunications Systems, Inc.
 4079 Park Eat Court
 Kentwood, Michigan 49546

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 4079 Park Eat Court
 Kentwood, Michigan 49546

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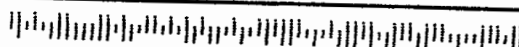
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September 2, 2015

**SENT VIA CERTIFIED MAIL NUMBER: 7014 2870 0001 1265 8516
AND BY UNITED STATES FIRST CLASS POSTAGE MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

**Company ID#: 128894
Independent Telecommunications Systems, Inc.
4079 Park Eat Court
Kentwood, Michigan 49546**

**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 1 of 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.

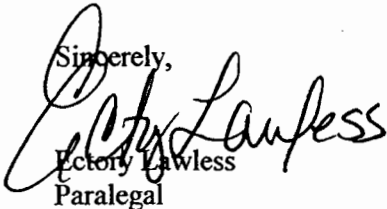
The Authority sent notice, via Certified Mail Number: **7014 2870 0001 1265 7502**, on **June 2, 2015** advising this company of its obligation to file the UD-16 Form and pay the appropriate inspection fee. Even if a company does not have any Tennessee intrastate gross receipts, the minimum fee of \$100 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.

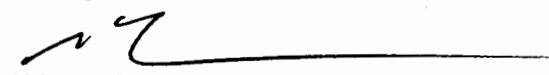
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Enclosure: **Statement of Gross Earnings and Computation of Inspection Fee (UD-16)**



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

COMPANY ID #: 128894
COMPANY NAME: Independent Telecommunications Systems, Inc.

State the gross receipts from all sources of the utility for the **calendar year 2014** as provided by T.C.A. § 65-4-303:

Gross Receipts:	System	TENNESSEE	
		Combined	IntraState
Local Service	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Access	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Long Distance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Miscellaneous	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

COMPUTATION OF FEE

1. Tennessee Intrastate Gross Receipts	\$ -
2. Less Exemption	\$ (5,000)
3. Net Intrastate Gross Receipts	\$ (5,000)
4. Computed Fee on Tennessee Intrastate Gross Receipts (Line 3 x 0.425%) (Minimum Due = \$100)	
5. MAXIMUM FEE DUE: 100% of the Fee computed on the April 1, 2012 Return	\$ 100
6. INSPECTION FEE DUE - the lesser of Line 4 or Line 5	

I, the undersigned owner, president, or secretary of the above named public utility, doing business in the State of Tennessee and subject to the control and jurisdiction of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority, for the purpose of paying the State of Tennessee, as provided by T.C.A. § 65-4-301 et. seq., a fee for the inspection, control, and supervision of the business, service and rates of said public utility, being first duly sworn, on oath, state that the above figures accurately state the gross receipts from all sources of the utility for the **calendar year 2014**, and the inspection fee computed therefrom.

NAME: _____
(Please Print)

SIGNATURE: _____

FILE: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

born to and subscribed to before me this _____ day of _____, 2015

tary Public: _____ My Commission Expires: _____

NOTE: A PENALTY OF 10% PER MONTH OR FRACTION THEREOF, PURSUANT TO T.C.A. § 65-4-308, WILL BE ASSESSED FOR LATE PAYMENT IF NOT PAID ON OR BEFORE APRIL 1st.

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