BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

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March 1	1,2009
IN RE:)
APPLICATION OF METROPOLITAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TENNESSEE, INC. FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO PROVIDE COMPETING LOCAL EXCHANGE AND INTEREXCHANGE	DOCKET NO. 06-00014))))
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES WITHIN THE STATE OF TENNESSEE))

PETITION OF METROPOLITAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS TO RECONSIDER

Metropolitan Telecommunications of Tennessee, Inc. ("Metropolitan") files this Petition to Reconsider pursuant to T.C.A. § 4-5-317(a) and asks the agency to reinstate Metropolitan's certificate of convenience and necessity.

On February 27, 2009, the Authority issued a final order revoking Metropolitan's certificate for failure to pay the annual inspection fee for the calendar year 2007 as required by state law. See T.C.A. § 65-4-301(a)(1). The company has now paid the fee for 2007, including all applicable interest and penalties, and has also prepaid the fee for the calendar year 2008, which is not due until April 1, 2009.

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¹ The amount due for 2007 was \$664.00. With interest and penalties, the total is \$1,460.80 (rounded to \$1,461.00 by the company).

Metropolitan failed to pay the 2007 fee on a timely basis as a result of a breakdown in the company's internal communications. Metropolitan accepts full responsibility for the mistake and will take corrective measures to insure that this does not occur again.

Under T.C.A. § 4-5-317(a), a party may request reconsideration of a TRA order within fifteen days of the issuance of the order. Metropolitan has now paid the 2007 inspection fee² and files this timely petition asking the Authority to reconsider its decision and avoid the possibility of any disruption of service to Metropolitan's Tennessee customers.

Therefore, Metropolitan asks that this Petition be granted and the company's certificate reinstated.

Respectfully submitted,

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² Metropolitan's payment of the fee constitutes "new evidence" which the Authority may consider under T.C.A. § 4-5-317(c). This evidence could not have been presented earlier because, of course, the fee had not been paid until now.