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March 31, 2008

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Docket Manager
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Pkwy
Nashville, TN 37243

Re: Petition to change name

To Whom It May Concern::

With this letter, Birch Telecom of the South, Inc. is requesting the name change from Birch Telecom of the South, Inc. to Birch Telecom of the South, Inc. dba Birch Communications.

On March 20, 2008, we sent a copy updated Secretary of State information, a copy of the updated Surety Bond and a copy of the customer notification with each copy of the revised tariff sheets. Enclosed is the original Surety Bond and a check for \$25 as requested by Ms. Fulton to continue processing this change.

We continue to request an effective date of April 24, 2008.

Please call me at 816-300-1677 if you have any questions regarding this filing.

Yours very truly,

Tara Jackson
Sr. Manager, Legal and Regulatory

Enclosures

08-00050

MEMORANDUM TO FILE

From: Patsy Fulton, Utility Rate Specialist
Date: April 2, 2008
Subject: Birch Telecom of the South, Inc.

Attached are the documents filed with Tariff # 2008-0104 that Birch Telecom of the South, Inc. refers to in its letter of March 31, 2008 (attached) requesting a name change.

C: Docket File



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Name	I.D. Number
BIRCH COMMUNICATIONS	0385719

Business Type*:	ASSUMED NAME
Profit/Nonprofit:	FOR PROFIT
Status*:	ACTIVE
Date of Formation/Qualification:	03/06/2000
Domestic/Foreign:	FOREIGN
Place of Incorporation/Organization:	DE
Duration:	PERPETUAL
FYC(Fiscal Year Closing) Month:	DECEMBER

Principal Office:

Address Line 1:	2300 MAIN STREET
Address Line 2:	6TH FLOOR
City:	KANSAS CITY
State:	MO
Zip:	641082415

Other than USA:**Registered Agent:**

Name:	CORPORATION SERVICE COMPANY
Address Line 1:	2908 POSTON AVENUE
Address Line 2:	
City:	NASHVILLE
State:	TN
Zip:	37203

Business Filing History

* Important Note: Business filing History includes information about (1) the basis for an inactive status, and (2) the current true name and filing status of a business with an assumed name or a changed status.

Note: This information is current as of three working days prior to today's date.

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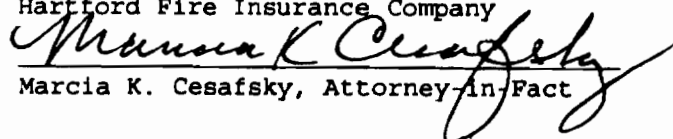
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Attached to and forming part of Bond # 83BSBDB1967
on behalf of Birch Telecom of the South, Inc.
of 2020 Baltimore Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64108
in favor of STATE OF TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY
and in the amount of Twenty Thousand \$20,000 Dollars.

It is understood and agreed that effective March 17, 2008
The Principal Name shall be changed
from Birch Telecom of the South, Inc.
to Birch Telecom of the South, Inc. dba Birch Communications

All other conditions and terms remain as originally written.

Signed, Sealed, and Dated March, 18th, 2008

Hartford Fire Insurance Company
By: 
Marcia K. Cesafsky, Attorney-in-Fact

The above endorsement is hereby agreed to and accepted:

By: _____

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Direct Inquiries/Claims to:

THE HARTFORD

BOND, T-4

P.O. BOX 2103, 690 ASYLUM AVENUE
HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT 06115

call: 888-266-3488 or fax: 860-757-5835

Agency Code: 83 511334

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS THAT:

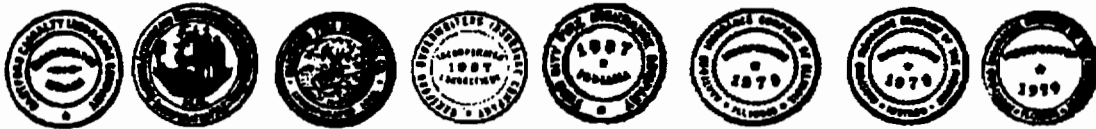
- ☒ Hartford Fire Insurance Company, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut
☐ Hartford Casualty Insurance Company, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Indiana
☐ Hartford Accident and Indemnity Company, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut
☐ Hartford Underwriters Insurance Company, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut
☐ Twin City Fire Insurance Company, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Indiana
☐ Hartford Insurance Company of Illinois, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Illinois
☐ Hartford Insurance Company of the Midwest, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Indiana
☐ Hartford Insurance Company of the Southeast, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Florida

having their home office in Hartford, Connecticut (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Companies") do hereby make, constitute and appoint, **up to the amount of UNLIMITED** :

MARCIA K. CESAFSKY, THOMAS J. JOSLIN, PATRICIA M. DOYLE, JENNIFER L. JAKAITIS,
SANDRA M. NOWAK, CHRISTOPHER P. TROHA OF CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, each in their separate capacity if more than one is named above, to sign its name as surety(ies) only as delineated above by ☒, and to execute, seal and acknowledge any and all bonds, undertakings, contracts and other written instruments in the nature thereof, on behalf of the Companies in their business of guaranteeing the fidelity of persons, guaranteeing the performance of contracts and executing or guaranteeing bonds and undertakings required or permitted in any actions or proceedings allowed by law.

In Witness Whereof, and as authorized by a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Companies on January 22, 2004, the Companies have caused these presents to be signed by its Assistant Vice President and its corporate seals to be hereto affixed, duly attested by its Assistant Secretary. Further, pursuant to Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Companies, the Companies hereby unambiguously affirm that they are and will be bound by any mechanically applied signatures applied to this Power of Attorney.



Paul A. Bergenholtz

Paul A. Bergenholtz, Assistant Secretary

M. Ross Fisher

M. Ross Fisher, Assistant Vice President

STATE OF CONNECTICUT }
COUNTY OF HARTFORD } ss. Hartford

On this 1st day of February, 2004, before me personally came M. Ross Fisher, to me known, who being by me duly sworn, did depose and say: that he resides in the County of Hartford, State of Connecticut; that he is the Assistant Vice President of the Companies, the corporations described in and which executed the above instrument; that he knows the seals of the said corporations; that the seals affixed to the said instrument are such corporate seals; that they were so affixed by authority of the Boards of Directors of said corporations and that he signed his name thereto by like authority.



CERTIFICATE

Scott E. Paselka

Scott E. Paselka
Notary Public

My Commission Expires October 31, 2012

I, the undersigned, Assistant Vice President of the Companies, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Power of Attorney executed by said Companies, which is still in full force effective as of March 18, 2008

Signed and sealed at the City of Hartford.



Gary W. Stumper

Gary W. Stumper, Assistant Vice President

MEMORANDUM

TO: TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY
FROM: BIRCH TELECOM OF THE SOUTH, INC.
SUBJECT: CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION REGARDING NAME CHANGE
DATE: 3/20/2008

Below is the customer notification that will begin appearing on invoices once the name change filings are approved and effective (May 2008).

Notice anything different? Our name and logo have changed.

But your service and customer support won't change at all. We previously announced that Birch Telecom had merged with Access Integrated Networks earlier this year. Now we would like to proudly announce we are changing our name to Birch Communications. We changed our logo as well. These may seem like small changes -- but we're a little bit bigger now, and were moving forward - just like you. With even bigger plans to offer you more products in the future.

One thing that will never change is our dedication to providing you personalized service and simply the best value for your communications services. Thank you for being a loyal customer.