BEFORE THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

October 7, 2019	
IN RE:)
) DOCKET NO.
PETITION OF AMERICA INTERNET SALES	09-00049
GROUP, INC. FOR AUTHORITY TO)
PROVIDE RESELL) Cancellation Request Co. ID:
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN	129066
TENNESSEE)

ORDER GRANTING CANCELLATION OF AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE AND/OR RESELL TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES

This matter came before Vice Chair Kenneth C. Hill, Commissioner Herbert H. Hilliard, and Commissioner John Hie of the Tennessee Public Utility Commission (the "Commission" or "TPUC"), the voting panel assigned to this docket, during a regularly scheduled Commission Conference held on September 9, 2019. America Internet Sales Group, Inc. ("AISG" or the "Company") was granted authority to provide operator services and/or resell telecommunication services in Tennessee by the Tennessee Public Utility Commission ("Commission"), on August 31, 2009 in Docket No. 09-00049.

A notice of a failure to pay inspection fees sent by certified mail to the company on December 13, 2018 was returned as unclaimed. On March 30, 2019, the Commission received a letter from International Fidelity that the bond for America Internet Sales Group, Inc. would be cancelled in thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of the cancellation letter on April 30, 2019. On April 15, 2019, a letter regarding the unpaid fees and cancellation of their surety bond was sent by certified mail to Mr. Scott Raymer at three addresses. Two of the letters were returned

marked "undeliverable," but one was received and signed. TPUC staff attempted to speak with the company on the telephone but there was no answer.

America Internet Sales Group, Inc. is in violation of the standards in Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-125(j) which requires that:

By September 1, 2000, all telecommunications service providers subject to the control and jurisdiction of the commission, 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 commission 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 commission.

Additionally, ASIG has failed to comply with Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-301(a)(1): "Every public utility doing business in this state and subject to the control and jurisdiction of the commission to which this chapter applies, shall pay to the state 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."

Based upon careful consideration of the entire record in this matter, the Commissioners voted unanimously to cancel the Company's authority to provide telecommunications services in Tennessee for nonpayment of fees.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Vice Chair Kenneth C. Hill, Commissioner Herbert H. Hilliard, and Commissioner John Hie concur.

ATTEST:

Earl R. Taylor, Executive Director

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