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#### **VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY & ELECTRONIC MAIL**

20-00015

February 4, 2020

Chairman Robin Morrison c/o Tory Lawless, Dockets and Records Manager Tennessee Public Utility Commission 502 Deaderick Street, 4th Floor Nashville, TN 37243 tpuc.docketroom@tn.gov

**RE:** Millington Telephone Company, LLC d/b/a Ritter Communications Notification of Corporate Conversion and Resulting Name Change

Dear Chairman Morrison:

Millington Telephone Company, LLC d/b/a Ritter Communications (formerly known as Millington Telephone Company, Inc.) (the "Company") hereby notifies the Commission that the Company's current name is "Millington Telephone Company, LLC d/b/a Ritter Communications" as a result of its conversion from a Tennessee corporation to a Delaware limited liability company and registration of an assumed name. The Company will separately submit a new tariff cover sheet reflecting these changes. Also included is a check for \$25.00 for the filing fee.

The conversion of the Company to a limited liability company was merely a change in its corporate form accomplished through the filing of Certificate of Conversion in Delaware and did not entail any merger or other transactions that extinguish the existence of the Company. Attached hereto are the Company's conversion documents as Attachment A and the Company's authorization to transact business in Tennessee as Attachment B. The Company's registration of assumed limited liability company name is included as Attachment C. The Company, therefore, requests that the records of the Commission, including the Company's Certificate, be updated to reflect its current name, "Millington Telephone Company, LLC d/b/a Ritter Communications."

The Company is authorized as a market regulated incumbent local exchange carrier (ILEC) under ID 24.

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To the extent necessary and pursuant to Commission Rule 1220-04-01-.08(2) and (3), the Company requests a waiver of the requirement to provide customer notice of the name change. The Commission may grant a request for waiver if good cause is shown. Here, requiring customer notice would not serve the purpose of the rule and may cause customer confusion. Customers will continue to receive service from Millington Telephone Company with the only change being its corporate form. As a result, the Commission should not require the Company to provide customer notice.

An original and four copies of this letter are enclosed for filing. Please date-stamp the extra copy of this letter and return it in the envelope provided. Should you have any questions regarding this filing, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald W. Del Sesto, Jr.

Danielle Burt Stephany Fan

On behalf of Millington Telephone Company, LLC d/b/a Ritter Communications

#### **ATTACHMENT A**

#### **Conversion Documents**





I, JEFFREY W. BULLOCK, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF

DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT

COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF CONVERSION OF A TENNESSEE CORPORATION

UNDER THE NAME OF "MILLINGTON TELEPHONE COMAPNY, INC." TO A

DELAWARE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, CHANGING ITS NAME FROM

"MILLINGTON TELEPHONE COMAPNY, INC." TO "MILLINGTON TELEPHONE

COMPANY, LLC", FILED IN THIS OFFICE ON THE TWENTY-EIGHTH DAY OF

OCTOBER, A.D. 2019, AT 12:47 O'CLOCK P.M.



Authentication: 203879490

Date: 10-28-19

State of Delaware
Secretary of State
Division of Corporations
Delivered 12:47 PM 10/28/2019
FILED 12:47 PM 10/28/2019
SR 20197762366 - File Number 7675481

# STATE OF DELAWARE CERTIFICATE OF CONVERSION FROM A CORPORATION TO A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY PURSUANT TO SECTION 18-214 OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ACT

- 1. The jurisdiction where the Corporation first formed is the State of Tennessee.
- 2. The jurisdiction immediately prior to filing this Certificate is the State of Tennessee.
- 3. The date the Corporation first formed is May 17, 1950.
- 4. The name of the Corporation immediately prior to filing this Certificate is Millington Telephone Company, Inc.
- 5. The name of the Limited Liability Company as set forth in the Certificate of Formation is Millington Telephone Company, LLC.

[Signature Page Follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Certificate on the 28th day of October, 2019.

Name: Alan G. Morse Title: President

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I, JEFFREY W. BULLOCK, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF

DELAWARE DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND

CORRECT COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF FORMATION OF "MILLINGTON

TELEPHONE COMPANY, LLC" FILED IN THIS OFFICE ON THE TWENTY
EIGHTH DAY OF OCTOBER, A.D. 2019, AT 12:47 O'CLOCK P.M.



Authentication: 203879490 Date: 10-28-19

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#### CERTIFICATE OF FORMATION

#### **OF**

#### MILLINGTON TELEPHONE COMPANY, LLC

This Certificate of Formation of Millington Telephone Company, LLC (the "Company") is being executed by the undersigned for the purpose of forming a limited liability company pursuant to the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act.

FIRST: The name of the Company is Millington Telephone Company, LLC.

SECOND: The address of the registered office of the Company in Delaware is 1209 Orange St., in the City of Wilmington, County of New Castle, 19801 and its registered agent at such address is The Corporation Trust Company.

[Signature Page Follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being the individual forming the Company, has executed, signed and acknowledged this Certificate of Formation this 28th day of October, 2019.

Bv:

Name: Alan G. Morse

Title: Authorized Person

#### **ATTACHMENT B**

#### **Authorization to Transact Business in Tennessee**



#### **Division of Business Services Department of State**

State of Tennessee 312 Rosa L. Parks AVE, 6th FL Nashville, TN 37243-1102

Millington Telephone Company, LLC 2400 RITTER DR JONESBORO, AR 72401-6241

December 9, 2019

#### Filing Acknowledgment

Please review the filing information below and notify our office immediately of any discrepancies.

SOS Control #:

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Formation Locale: DELAWARE

Filing Type:

Limited Liability Company - Foreign

Date Formed:

10/28/2019

Filing Date:

12/06/2019 3:00 PM

Fiscal Year Close: 12

Status:

Active

Annual Report Due: 04/01/2021

**Duration Term:** 

Perpetual

Image # :

B0764-5535

Managed By:

Member Managed

**Document Receipt** 

Receipt #: 005138319

Filing Fee:

\$300.00

Payment-Check/MO - CAPITAL FILING SERVICE, INC, NASHVILLE, TN

\$900.00

Deposit-Account - CAPITAL FILING SERVICE INC, NASHVILLE, TN

\$600.00

Registered Agent Address:

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300 MONTVUE RD

KNOXVILLE, TN 37919-5546

**Principal Address:** 

2400 RITTER DR

JONESBORO, AR 72401-6241

Congratulations on the successful filing of your Application for Certificate of Authority for Millington Telephone Company, LLC in the State of Tennessee which is effective on the date shown above. Please visit the Tennessee Department of Revenue website (www.tn.gov/revenue) to determine your online tax registration requirements. If you need to obtain a Certificate of Existence for this entity, you can request, pay for, and receive it from our website.

You must file an Annual Report with this office on or before the Annual Report Due Date noted above and maintain a Registered Office and Registered Agent. Failure to do so will subject the business to Administrative Dissolution/Revocation.

Secretary of State

Processed By: Austin Colgan

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Tre Hargett, Secretary of State
State of Tennessee
312 Rosa L. Parks AVE, 6th Fl.
Nashville, TN 37243-1102
(615) 741-2286

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| To The Secretary of the State of Tennessee: Pursuant to the provisions of T.C.A. §48-249-904 of the Tennessee Revised Limited Liability Company Act; the undersigned hereby applies for a certificate of authority to transact business in the State of Tennessee, and for that purpose sets forth:   |
|---|
| 1. The name of the Limited Liability Company is: Millington Telephone Company, LLC  |
| If different, the name under which the certificate of authority is to be obtained is:   |
| NOTE: The Secretary of State of the State of Tennessee may not issue a certificate of authority to a foreign Limited Liability Company if its name does not comply with the requirements of T.C.A. §48-249-106 of the Tennessee Revised Limited Liability Company Act. If obtaining a certificate of authority under an assumed Limited Liability Company name, an application must be filed pursuant to T.C.A. §48-249-106(d). |
| 2. The state or country under whose law it is formed is: Delaware   |
| and the date of its formation is: 10 ,28 /2019 and the date it commenced doing business in Tennessee is: Honth Day Year   |
| NOTE: Additional filing fees and proof of tax clearance confirming good standing may apply if the Limited Liability Company commenced doing business in Tennessee prior to the approval of this application. See T.C.A. §48-249-913(d) and T.C.A. §48-249-905(c)  |
| 3. This company has the additional designation of   |
| The name and complete address of its registered agent and office located in the state of Tennessee is:     Name: C T Corporation System   |
| Address: 300 Montvue Rd   |
| City: Knoxville State: TN Zip Code: 37919-5546 County: Knox   |
| 5. Fiscal Year Close Month: December  |
| 6. If the document is not to be effective upon filling by the Secretary of State, the delayed effective date and time is: (Not to exceed so days  Effective Date:   |
| 7. The LLC will be: Member Managed  Manager Managed  Director Managed  Board Managed  Other   |
| 8. Number of Members at the date of filing: 1   |
| 9. Period of Duration: Perpetual Other  |
| 10. The complete address of its principal executive office is:  Address: 2400 Ritter Drive  |
| City: Jonesboro State: AR Zin Code: 72401   |

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Filing Fee: \$50.00 per member

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| (minimum fee = \$30   | 0, maximum fee = \$3,000)   |
|---|---|
| The name of the Limited Liability Company is: Millington Te   | lephone Company, LLC  |
| 11. The complete mailing address of the entity (If different from Address:  | n the principal office) is:   |
| City: State:  | Zip Code:   |
| under or subject to the provisions of the Tennessee h   | n of "Non-Profit LLC" is entered in section 3.) le member is a nonprofit corporation, foreign or domestic, incorporated Nonprofit Corporation Act and who is exempt from franchise and excise the business is disregarded as an entity for federal income tax purposes. |
| 13. Professional LLC (required only if the Additional Designat ☐ I certify that this PLLC has one or more qualified pers ☐ I certify that this entity meets the requirement of T.C.A Licensed Profession: | ons as members and no disqualified persons as members or holders. A. §48-249-1123(b)(3)   |
| 14. Series LLC (required only if the Additional Designation of  I certify that this entity meets the requirements of T.C.   |   |
|   | oreign series LLCs) apply, then the information required by that section  |
| 15. Obligated Member Entity (list of obligated members and s  This entity will be registered as an Obligated Member   |   |
| PERSONALLY LIABLE FOR THE DEBTS, OBLIGATI   | FILING OF THIS DOCUMENT WILL CAUSE THE MEMBER(S) TO BE ONS AND LIABILITIES FOR THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY TO A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. CONSULT AN ATTORNEY.   |
| 16. Other Provisions:   |   |
| 12/5/9<br>Signature Date  | Signature   |
| Authorized Person   |   |
| Signer's Capacity (if other than individual capacity)   | Lexine Horton Name (printed or typed)   |
|   |   |

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I, JEFFREY W. BULLOCK, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF

DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY "MILLINGTON TELEPHONE COMPANY, LLC" IS

DULY FORMED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE AND IS IN GOOD

STANDING AND HAS A LEGAL EXISTENCE SO FAR AS THE RECORDS OF THIS

OFFICE SHOW, AS OF THE SIXTH DAY OF DECEMBER, A.D. 2019.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE ANNUAL TAXES HAVE BEEN ASSESSED TO DATE.

Authentication: 204154215

Date: 12-06-19

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#### **ATTACHMENT C**

**Registration of Assumed Limited Liability Company Name** 



#### Division of Business Services **Department of State**

State of Tennessee 312 Rosa L. Parks AVE, 6th FL Nashville, TN 37243-1102

Millington Telephone Company, LLC 2400 RITTER DR JONESBORO, AR 72401-6241

December 20, 2019

#### Filing Acknowledgment

Please review the filing information below and notify our office immediately of any discrepancies.

Control #: 1066003

Status:

Active

Filing Type: Limited Liability Company - Foreign

**Document Receipt** 

Receipt #: 005159842

Filing Fee:

\$40.00

Payment-Account - #23391 CFS-1, NASHVILLE, TN

\$40.00

Amendment Type: Assumed Name With Name Consent

Image # : B0770-6716

Filed Date:

12/20/2019 12:46 PM

This will acknowledge the filing of the attached assumed name with an effective date as indicated above. When corresponding with this office or submitting documents for filing, please refer to the control number given above. The name registration is effective for five years from the date the original registration was filed with the Secretary of State.

Processed By: Alex Maxfield

Secretary of State

| Field Name                      | Changed From | Changed To   |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--|
| Consent Method                  | No Value     | Both entities will share name and registered agent |
| New Assumed Name                | No Value     | Ritter Communications                              |
| Entity Giving Consent Control # | No Value     | 000721981  |
| Entity Giving Consent Name      | No Value     | E. Ritter Communications, LLC                      |
| Duplicate Name Consent DLN      | No Value     | B0770-6717   |

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## APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF ASSUMED LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY NAME

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| Corporate Filings LIMITED 1                                       | LIABILITY COMPANY NAME   |  |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| 312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6th Floor, William R. Snodgrass Tower<br>Nashville, TN 37243      |  |  |  |  |  |
| rashvine, 114 37243   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pursuant to the provisions of §48-207-101 (d                      | Pursuant to the provisions of §48-207-101 (d) of the Tennessee Limited Liability Company Act or §48-249-106(d) of the Tennessee Revised Limited Liability Company Act, the undersigned Limited Liability Company hereby submits this   |  |  |  |  |
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|   | NAMES OF TRANSPORT OF TRANSPORT  |  |  |  |  |
| <ol> <li>The true name of the Limited Liability Compar</li> </ol> | ny is: Millington Telephone Company, LLC   |  |  |  |  |
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| Delaye  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2. The state or country of organization is: Delaw                 | arc  |  |  |  |  |
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| 3. The Limited Liability Company intends to tran                  | nsact business under an assumed Limited Liabili  | ty Company name.   |  |  |  |
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| 4. The assumed Limited Liability Company name                     | the Limited Liability Company proposes to use  | ls:  |  |  |  |
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| Ritter Communications   |  |  |  |  |  |
|   |  |  |  |  |  |
| NOTE: The assumed Limited Liability Com                           | pany name must meet the requirements   | of §48-207-101 of the  |  |  |  |
| Tennessee Limited Liability Company Act o                         |  |  |  |  |  |
| pany Act, as applicable.  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 12/12/9   | Millington Telephone Company, LLC  |  |  |  |  |
| Signature Date  | Name of Limited Liability Company  |  |  |  |  |
| Authorized Person   | 1 /  | i i  |  |  |  |
|   | - or fr  |  |  |  |  |
| Signer's Capacity   | Signature  | i  |  |  |  |
|   | Lexine Horton  | ŧ  |  |  |  |
|   | Name (typed or printed)  |  |  |  |  |
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#### WRITTEN CONSENT FOR USE OF INDISTINGUISHABLE NAME (SS-9411)



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State of Tennessee
312 Rosa L. Parks AVE. 6th FL.

312 Rosa L. Parks AVE., 6th FL. Nashville, TN 37243 (615) 741-2286

Filing fee \$20.00

Pursuant to the Tennessee Business Corporation Act, Tennessee Nonprofit Corporation Act, Tennessee Limited Liability Company Act, or the Tennessee Revised Uniform Partnership Act, this consent for use of indistinguishabe name is submitted to the Tennessee Secretary of State.

| Existing Entity Name: E. Ritter Communications, LI        | LC   |
|---|--|
|   | Entity 1   |
| Existing Entity Secretary of State Control Number:        | 0721981  |
| Entity Receiving Name Consent: Millington Telephor        | ne Company, LLC  |
|   | Entity 2   |
|   | *  |
| SELECT THI  | E STATEMENT THAT APPLIES   |
| Option 1:   |  |
| Both entities hereby consent to use an                    | nd maintain the same registered agent.   |
| Option 2:  The existing entity constents to change        | ge its name or terminate its existence within 60 days.   |
| Entity 1 Signature  | Signature Date   |
| Lexine Horton   | All and the second seco |
| Name (printed or typed)  Entity 2 Signature Lexine Horton | Signature Date   |

Note: Pursuant to T.C.A. § 10-7-503 all information on this form is public record.

Name (printed or typed)

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