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Docket No. S-36377, MAGICJACK SMB, INC., ex parte. In re: Request for Authority as a Voice over Internet Protocol Service Provider.

Dear Ms. Thomas:

This letter is in response to your application ("Application") submitted on behalf of MAGICJACK SMB, INC. ("Company") and received by the Louisiana Public Service Commission ("Commission") on May 31, 2022, requesting Commission authority to operate as a Voice over Internet Protocol ("VoIP") provider within Louisiana. Commission Staff has reviewed and accepted the application. The Company is hereby authorized to operate as a telecommunications service provider within the State of Louisiana. Enclosed is certificate number TSP00774 issued to reflect this authority.

The Commission has accepted the original pages of the tariff filed by the Company with an effective date of August 19, 2022, and an issue date of May 31, 2022. The tariff now on file in the Commission's Baton Rouge Office must be modified to reflect the effective and issue dates stated above. Please re-submit two (2) copies of the tariff reflecting this change within thirty (30) days of the date of this letter or by September 22, 2022.

The Commission accepts this Application without prejudice to its authority to make any investigation or require any change it may legally find to be appropriate, reasonably necessary, and in the public interest. In order to remain in compliance with Commission rules and regulations, the Company must meet certain mandatory reporting requirements related to annual reports and inspection and supervision fees set out in detail below.

All utility and telecommunication companies regulated by this Commission shall be required to file an annual report. The Commission's General Order dated March 18, 2021 allows all regulated utilities and telecommunication providers up to 120 days from the end of the calendar A Century of Public Service

year, or the applicable fiscal year, to file their annual reports and imposes a fine of \$500.00 per offense as the penalty for failure to file annual reports timely.

Additionally, as a TSP registered with the LPSC, the Company must remit Inspection and Supervision fees, as required by La. R.S. 45:1177, for the inspection, control, and supervision of the company's service and rates. These fees are due, along with the Quarterly Report of Inspection and Supervision Fees (LDR Form R-5197), to the Louisiana Department of Revenue ("LDR").

Section 45:1177(A)(1) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 provides in pertinent part the following:

Each...public utility doing business in Louisiana and subject to control and jurisdiction of the commission shall pay to the state a fee for the inspection, control, and supervision of the business service and rates of such...public utility, in addition to any and all property, franchise, license, and other taxes, and fees and charges now or hereafter fixed, assessed, or charged by law against such... public utility. The amount of the fees shall be measured by the gross receipts of each public utility from its Louisiana intrastate business.

Please be aware that all annual reports filed with the Commission by regulated companies shall form the basis for the assessment of inspection and supervision fees and must be sworn to before a notary public by the owner or officer(s) having personal knowledge of the facts set forth therein.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact my office at (225) 342-4999.

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# Louisiana Public Service Commission

# Certificate of Authority to Operate

#### **Certificate Number TSP00774**

A Certificate of Authority to Operate is hereby granted to

## MAGICJACK SMB, INC.

A telecommunications service provider under the laws of Louisiana, whose principal office location or place of business is 1655 Palm Beach Lakes, Blvd., Suite 1012, West Palm Beach, Florida 33401.

MAGICIACK SMB, INC. shall operate in full accordance with the rules and regulations of the Louisiana Public Service Commission relevant to the provision of telecommunications services. This certificate authorizes MAGICIACK SMB, INC. to provision Voice over Internet Protocol telecommunications services within the State of Louisiana.

Witness the signature and seal of the Commission at Baton Rouge, Louisiana this 1919ay of August, 2022.

Louisiana Public Service Commission

Attest:

Brandon M. Frey

Executive Secretary