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In the Matter of a General Investigation Addressing Requirements for Designation of Eligible Telecommunications Carriers.

Docket No. 06-GIMT-446-GIT

ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

COMES NOW James M. Caplinger, James M. Caplinger, Jr. and Mark E. Caplinger and

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enter their appearance as counsel on behalf of the State Independent Alliance ("SIA") as listed in

Attachment 1.

WHEREFORE, SIA respectfully requests inclusion of said counsel on record and to

receive any future documents in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERIFICATION

STATE OF KANSAS)) ss: COUNTY OF SHAWNEE)

I, Mark E. Caplinger, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon his oath states:

That he is an attorney for the State Independent Alliance, that he has read the above and foregoing document, and upon information and belief, states that the matters therein appearing are true and correct.

Mark E-Caplinger

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 1st day of December, 2005.

Marsha Auens Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

march 2, 2009

MARSHA GIVENS Notary Public - State of Kansas My Appt. Expires 3-0み-09

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Mark E. Caplinger, hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was mailed to the following, by placing the same, postage prepaid, in the United States mail on this 1st day of December, 2005.

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