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ARTICLES OF MERGER

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HOME TELEPHONE COMPANY OF SIMPSONVILLE

and

ELLOREE TELEPHONE COMPANY

and

JACKSON TELEPHONE COMPANY

I.

The Agreement and Plan of Merger attached hereto as Exhibit 'A' and incorporated herein by reference was duly approved by the respective Boards of Directors of Home Telephone Company of Simpsonville, Elloree Telephone Company and Jackson Telephone Company

II.

On the date of submission of the Agreement and Plan of Merger to the shareholders of Home Telephone Company of Simpsonville, there were 4,797 shares of common stock with a par value of \$100.00 per share outstanding and entitled to vote, and the Agreement and Plan of Merger was approved by the unanimous affirmative vote of the holders of all of the shares of stock. A vote of two-thirds of the holders of shares is required to adopt the Agreement and Plan of Merger.

III.

On the date of submission of the Agreement and Plan of Merger to the shareholders of Elloree Telephone Company, there were outstanding 915 shares of common stock with a par value of \$10.00 per share outstanding and entitled to vote, and the Agreement and Plan of Merger was approved by

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GERTIFIED TO BE A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY AS TAKEN FROM AND COMPARED WITH THE ORIGINAL ON FILE IN THIS OFFICE.

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SECRETARY OF STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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