

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Application of Socket Telecom, LLC,)
for Approval of an Amendment to an Interconnection)
Agreement with Spectra Communications Group, LLC,) **File No. CK-2010-0158**
d/b/a CenturyLink, Under the Telecommunications Act)
of 1996.)

**ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE AND MAKING
SPECTRA COMMUNICATIONS GROUP, LLC, D/B/A CENTURYLINK,
A PARTY**

Issue Date: November 24, 2009

Effective Date: November 24, 2009

This order provides notice of this application to interested parties and joins the other party to the interconnection agreement, Spectra Communications Group, LLC, d/b/a CenturyLink, as a party to this proceeding.

On November 23, 2009, Socket Telecom, LLC, filed an application with the Commission for approval of an amendment to its interconnection agreement with CenturyLink under the provisions of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. Socket states that there are no unresolved issues and that the agreement complies with Section 252(e) of the Act in that it is not discriminatory to nonparty carriers and is consistent with the public interest.

Although CenturyLink is a party to the agreement, it did not join in the application. Because CenturyLink is a necessary party to a full and fair adjudication of this matter, the Commission will add it as a party to this case.

The Act provides that an interconnection or resale agreement must be approved unless the state commission finds that the agreement discriminates against a telecom-

munications carrier not a party to the agreement, or that implementation of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.¹ Section 252(e)(4) of the Act provides that if the Commission has not approved an agreement within 90 days after submission, the agreement shall be deemed approved. The Commission finds that proper persons shall be allowed 20 days from the issuance of this order to file a motion for hearing. The Commission also finds that notice of this application shall be sent to all interexchange and local exchange telecommunications companies.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Commission's Data Center shall send notice to all interexchange and local exchange telecommunications companies.
2. Spectra Communications Group, LLC, d/b/a CenturyLink, is made a party to this case.
3. Any party wishing to request a hearing shall do so by filing a pleading no later than December 14, 2009, with:

Steven C. Reed, Secretary
Missouri Public Service Commission
Post Office Box 360
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

and send copies to:

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¹ 47 U.S.C. § 252(e).

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FOR: SPECTRA COMMUNICATIONS GROUP, LLC,
D/B/A CENTURYLINK

and:

Office of the Public Counsel
Post Office Box 2230
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

4. The Staff of the Commission shall file a memorandum advising either approval or rejection of this agreement and giving the reasons therefor no later than December 24, 2009.

5. This order shall become effective upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION



Steven C. Reed
Secretary

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Nancy Dippell, Deputy Chief Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 24th day of November, 2009.