

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

<b>In the Matter of the Revised Tariff Filing of</b>	<b>)</b>	<b>File No. TR-2012-0298</b>
<b>Choctaw Telephone Company.</b>	<b>)</b>	<b>Tariff No. JI-2012-0441</b>

**Request for Extension of Time**

Comes now Choctaw Telephone Company ("Company"), pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.050 (2), and requests a five day extension of time to Respond to the Office of Public Counsel's (OPC) March 16 Objection to, and Motion to Suspend, the proposed tariffs. In support hereof Company states as follows:

1. The tariffs at issue were filed March 14, 2012.
2. On March 16, 2012, OPC filed an original Objection and Motion to Suspend the tariffs. On March 19, 2012 OPC filed an Amended Objection and Motion.
3. The Commission issued an Order on March 19, 2012 setting a response deadline of March 26, 2012 to OPC's Objection and Motion to Suspend.
4. The undersigned counsel for Company has a previously scheduled out of state trip between March 22 and March 27, 2012. Given the importance of the issues raised by OPC's Objection and Motion to the Company, Counsel would like to have until March 30, 2012 in which to file a response.
5. The proposed effective date of the tariffs is May 1, 2012. An extension to March 30 will not unduly prejudice the ability of OPC, or of any other party, to have a reasonably opportunity to respond or reply to issues raised by OPC's objection or motion, in time

for the Commission to have an adequate opportunity to consider same and rule well in advance of the proposed effective date.

6. Counsel for OPC and for Staff have informed the undersigned that they do not oppose the granting of the extension requested herein.

WHEREFORE, the Company respectfully requests that the Commission grant this Request for an Extension of Time.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was electronically mailed this 19th day of March, 2012 to PSC Staff and the Office of the Public Counsel.

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