

In the Matter of the Application of)
Otelco Mid-Missouri LLC for)
Approval of an Amendment to its) **Case No. _____**
Traffic Exchange Agreement with)
Verizon Wireless.)

Comes now Otelco Mid-Missouri, LLC (hereinafter “Company”), pursuant to 47 USC 252 and 4 CSR 240-3.513 (6) (C), and hereby requests that the Commission approve an amendment to its Traffic Exchange Agreement By and Between Mid-Missouri Telephone Company (now Otelco Mid-Missouri, LLC) and Verizon Wireless (“VZW”). In support of this Application, Company states as follows:

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3. VZW is a Delaware partnership authorized to and doing business in the state of Missouri. Copies of filings made in this proceeding can be served upon the following agent/attorney for VZW:

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4. This Commission by Order of February 13, 2008 in Case No. IK-2008-0221, approved the Traffic Exchange Agreement By and Between Mid-Missouri Telephone Company (now Otelco Mid-Missouri, LLC) and Verizon Wireless (“Interconnection Agreement”) currently in effect between Company and VZW.

5. By Order released November 18, 2011 “In the Matter of the Connect America Fund, et al., WC Docket No. 10-90 et al. (see paragraphs 736-846), as modified by its December 23, 2011 Order in that same docket (see paragraphs 6-8), the FCC has directed that forward-looking cost based reciprocal compensation rates for intraMTA traffic exchanged by CMRS providers and ILECs be replaced with zero compensation, or a “bill and keep” rate for such traffic effective July 1, 2012, and has further directed that ILECs enter into good faith negotiations with CMRS carriers requesting amendments to existing interconnection agreements based upon change of law provisions.

6. VZW has so made a request upon Company, and thereafter VZW and Company have voluntarily agreed to the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement for which approval is requested herein. The Amendment is attached hereto.

7. The Amendment has been negotiated, agreed to, executed, and submitted to the Commission for approval voluntarily, in compliance with the aforementioned FCC Orders, by VZW and Company.

8. There are no outstanding issues for which mediation or arbitration are needed or requested.

9. This Amendment has not been previously approved by this Commission.

10. The Amendment primarily changes the rate for intraMTA traffic exchanged between VZW and the Company. The Amendment also contains a modification to the factor for determining proportions of local and non-access traffic. The Amendment does not change the structure of the Agreement itself.

11. Company requests approval of the Amendment, without change, suspension, or delay. The implementation of this Amendment complies with Section 252 (e) of the Act in that the Amendment is consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity, and does not discriminate against any telecommunications carrier.

12. Company has no pending actions or final, unsatisfied adverse judgments or decisions which involve customer service or rates that have occurred within the last three years from the date of this Application.

13. Company has no annual report or assessment fees that are overdue.

WHEREFORE, Company respectfully requests that the Commission enter an Order approving this Amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was delivered by electronic mail this 25th day of July, 2012 to counsel for MoPSC Staff, for the Office of Public Counsel, and to VZW.

/s/ Craig S. Johnson
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