BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC's Request For Competitive Classification Pursuant to Section 392.245.5, RSMo. (2005).

Case No. IO-2006-0316

OPINION OF COMMISSIONER STEVE GAW, DISSENTING, IN PART, AND CONCURRING, IN PART

This Commissioner respectfully dissents in part and concurs in part, generally for the reasons set forth in the Opinion of Commission Clayton. Additionally in my opinion, the language in the Order does not properly set forth all of the necessary requirements. It is important that a wireless carrier being considered as operating within an exchange in which competitive classification is being sought, have a phone number available which can be reached from that exchange by a wireline phone without paying a toll charge. The statutory hurdle which must be cleared for a company to gain competitive classification is already too low without it being further lowered by the Commission.

Respectfully submitted. Steve/Gaw (Commissioner

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Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 17th day of September, 2007.