

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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| In the Matter of Spectra Communications Group,) | |
| LLC, d/b/a CenturyTel's Request for Competitive) | |
| Classification Pursuant to Section 392.245.5,) | <u>Case No. IO-2006-0108</u> |
| RSMo (2005).) | |

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

Issue Date: September 21, 2005

Effective Date: September 21, 2005

On September 9, 2005, Spectra Communications Group, LLC, doing business as CenturyTel, filed its Application for Competitive Classification pursuant to Section 392.245.5, RSMo. In its application, Spectra requests that the Commission classify all of its residential services, other than exchange access service, as competitive for the following exchanges: (a) Ewing, (b) LaBelle, (c) Lewistown, (d) Macon, and (e) Savannah. In addition, Spectra requests competitive classification of all of its business services, other than exchange access service, in the following exchanges: (a) Ewing, (b) LaBelle, (c) Lewistown, and (d) Macon.

Section 392.245.5, RSMo Supp. 2005, requires that the Commission make a determination within thirty days as to "whether the requisite number of entities are providing basic local telecommunications service . . . in an exchange and if so, shall approve tariffs designating all such business or residential services other than exchange access service, as competitive"

In pertinent part, Section 392.245.5, RSMo Supp. 2005, provides:

Each telecommunications service offered to residential customers, other than exchange access service, of an incumbent local exchange telecommunications company regulated under this section shall be classified as competitive in an exchange in which at least two non-

affiliated entities in addition to the incumbent local exchange company are providing basic local telecommunications service to residential customers within the exchange. For purposes of this subsection:

(1) commercial mobile service providers as identified in 47 U. S.C. Section 332(D) (1) and 47 C. F.R. Parts 22 or 24 shall be considered as entities providing basic local telecommunications service, provided that only one such non-affiliated provider shall be considered as providing basic local telecommunications service within an exchange;

In order to facilitate review of the contentions of the parties, both Staff and Spectra shall file pleadings stating, for each CMRS carrier in each exchange for which competitive classification is sought, whether or not a call from a Spectra Basic Local service subscriber in that exchange to a subscriber of the CMRS carrier resident in the same exchange would be rated and billed as a local call.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That Spectra Communications Group, LLC, doing business as CenturyTel, and the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall, on or before 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 22, 2005, file verified pleadings as described above.

2. That this Order shall become effective on September 21, 2005.

BY THE COMMISSION



Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

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Kevin A. Thompson, Deputy Chief
Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation
of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 2000

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 21st day of September, 2005.