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-2006-0109

ORDER GRANTING INTERVENTION

Issue Date: September 19, 2005 Effective Date: September 19, 2005

On September 9, 2005, CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC, filed an application with the Missouri Public Service Commission for competitive classification of certain services in several exchanges within its service territory. On September 12, 2005, the Commission ordered that any party wishing to intervene must apply to intervene by September 16, 2005.

On September 16, Fidelity Communication Services II, Inc., filed its application to intervene. Fidelity is a Missouri corporation with its principal place of business located in Sullivan, Missouri. Fidelity provides interexchange and basic local exchange telecommunications services under certificates of service authority issued by the Commission. Fidelity offers telecommunications services in one or more exchanges in which CenturyTel seeks competitive classification.

Fidelity contends that its interest in this matter is different from that of the general public and that no other party would adequately represent its interest. Fidelity argues it would be in the public interest to grant its intervention because its expertise and experience as a telecommunications provider would aid the Commission in making its determination. Fidelity did not take a position regarding CenturyTel's application.

The Commission finds that Fidelity's application to intervene substantially complies with Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.075. Fidelity has an interest in this matter that is different from that of the general public. Furthermore, granting the proposed intervention will serve the public interest. Because of the expedited nature of the proceeding, the application to intervene will be granted immediately.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- That the application to intervene filed by Fidelity Communication Services II,
 Inc., is granted.
 - 2. That this order will become effective on September 19, 2005.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

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Morris L. Woodruff, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 19th day of September, 2005.