

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

In the Matter of the Change of Name of)	<u>File No. IN-2012-0186</u>
Mid-Missouri Telephone Company to)	Tariff No.: YI-2012-0277
Otelco Mid-Missouri LLC.)	

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Staff”), by and through the undersigned counsel, and files this *Staff Recommendation* with the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”), and states:

1. On December 16, 2011, the Commission received notifications and tariffs bearing an effective date of January 1, 2012, which reflect the name change of Mid-Missouri Telephone Company to Otelco Mid-Missouri LLC.

2. On December 16, 2011, the Commission ordered Staff to file a recommendation regarding the requested name change.

3. Rule 4 CSR 240-2.060 establishes filing requirements for certificated company name change; as noted in the attached Staff Memorandum attached hereto as Appendix A, the Company has complied with the rule, including the customer notice provisions. No entities intervened to oppose the name change. The Company is not delinquent in any required filings with the Commission. The filed revised tariff sheets are compliant with Commission rules.

WHEREFORE, the Staff recommends that the Commission issue an Order Recognizing the Name Change, acknowledging the name under which the Company does business as Otelco Mid-Missouri LLC, and either approve the revised tariff sheets under the above-noted tracking number or allow them to take effect by operation of law.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 21st day of December, 2011.

/s/ Meghan E. McClowry

Memorandum

To: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File
Case No. IN-2012-0186
Tariff No. YI-2012-0277
Date: 12/21/11
Mid-Missouri Telephone Company
From: Lisa Mahaney
Telecommunications Unit

William Voight 12/21/11
Tariff, Safety, Economic and Engineering Analysis/Date

Subject: Staff Recommendation for Approval of Name Change

Existing Name of Company: Mid-Missouri Telephone Company
Proposed Name of Company: Otelco Mid-Missouri LLC

The Telecommunications Department Staff (Staff) recommends the Commission approve the change of name and tariff sheet(s) for No. 1 effective 1/1/12.

Review Items

Administrative:

- No applications to intervene filed.
- Evidence of registration of the name change with the Missouri Secretary of State has been submitted.

- Customers have been notified. (4 CSR 240-3.545(20))
- Customers will be notified at or before the next billing cycle of any name change. (4 CSR 240-3.545(20))

Tariff:

- Adoption Notice
- Revised Title Page (see tariff review section below)
- New Tariff (see tariff review section below)

Tariff review items (as applicable):

- Properly formatted: (Company name, PSC MO No., Page #, Page revision #, proposed effective date)
- Identifies competitive classification.
- Identifies waivers granted.
- Customer specific pricing, if proposed, limited for private line, special access or Centrex-like services or to business customers in exchanges where the incumbent local exchange company has had its business services declared competitive pursuant to Section 392.245. (392.200(8)).

Appendix A

- Proposed rates do not establish geographic deaveraged rates (if not checked, explain in attachment). (392.200(4)).
- If an alternative operator service provider (receives more than 40% of revenues from traffic aggregators) operator service rates do not exceed: Person-to-Person (\$10.00), Station-to-Station/card (\$5.50). (392.515(1))

Tariff review items (as applicable, only for CLECs):

- Tariff clearly indicates areas offering local service area (____AT&T Missouri, ____CenturyTel, ____ Sprint, ____ Spectra, ____ Other)
- Tariff offers local service as a separate and distinct service.
- Switched access service rates capped at ILEC's rates.

Are there additional recommendations or special considerations? No Yes

- The Company is not delinquent in filing an annual report, paying the PSC assessment , MoUSF, and Relay Missouri..
 - The Company is delinquent. Staff recommends the Commission grant the requested relief/action on the condition the applicant corrects the delinquency. The applicant should be instructed to make the appropriate filing in this case after it has corrected the delinquency.
- (No annual report Unpaid PSC assessment Unpaid MoUSF
 Unpaid Relay Missouri. Amount owed:)

Under penalty of perjury, I affirm that the above statement is true and correct.

Lisa Mahaney

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