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, RSMo (2005)

Case No. IO-2006-0317

ORDER ESTABLISHING PROTECTIVE ORDER

Issue Date: February 3, 2006

Effective Date: February 3, 2006

On February 1, 2006, Spectra Communications Group, LLC d/b/a CenturyTel filed a Motion for Protective Order. In its motion, Spectra indicates that it needs to protect highly confidential and proprietary financial information from disclosure during the course of these proceedings. Spectra requests that the Commission issue its standard protective order to protect that information.

Upon review of Spectra's motion, the Commission finds that there is a need to protect confidential information and that the request for a protective order is reasonable.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The protective order attached to this order (Attachment A) is adopted.

2. This order shall become effective on February 3, 2006.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

(SEAL)

Nancy Dippell, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 3rd day of February, 2006.