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Missouri Public
Service Commission

Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge
Missouri Public Service Commission
301 W. High Street, Room 530
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Re: In the Matter of the Joint Application of GTE Arkansas Incorporated and
CenturyTel of Northwest Arkansas LLC , Case No. TM-2000-471

Dear Mr. Roberts:

In response and in compliance with the Order Approving Transfer of Assets and Granting Certificate of Service Authority dated June 22, 2000 in the above-captioned matter, I am writing in response to Order No. 4 wherein GTE Arkansas Incorporated is directed to file proposed tariff sheets to remove from the tariff of GTE Arkansas Incorporated any and all references to the provisioning of basic local exchange, local exchange, and interexchange telecommunication services to the exchanges being sold to CenturyTel of Northwest Arkansas LLC.

Because GTE Arkansas Incorporated will no longer be providing services in the exchanges of Pea Ridge (Jacket) and Seligman, Missouri, and because GTE Arkansas Incorporated's tariffs have been replaced by those which have been approved by the Commission and filed by CenturyTel of Northwest Arkansas LLC, GTE Arkansas Incorporated hereby cancels and withdraws in total its tariff which is numbered PSC Mo. No. 4 which relates to said exchanges. In so doing, all references to said exchanges will be removed from GTE's tariffs and all services for these exchanges will be effectively replaced by the tariffs filed by CenturyTel of Northwest Arkansas LLC.


If the Commission has any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

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Copies of the foregoing have been hand-delivered or mailed this date to all parties of record. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,



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cc: William R. England, III
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