

# **BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

## **OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Investigation into the Earnings of       )  
Cass County Telephone Company                                       ) **Case No. IR-2006-0374**

### **ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE AND SETTING DATE FOR SUBMISSION** **OF INTERVENTION REQUESTS**

Issue Date: April 3, 2006

Effective Date: April 3, 2006

On March 30, 2006, the Staff of the Public Service Commission; Cass County Telephone Company, Limited Partnership; Local Exchange Company, LLC; FairPoint Communications, Inc.; FairPoint Communications Missouri, Inc.; and the Office of the Public Counsel filed a Stipulation and Agreement that purports to resolve Staff's investigation into the earnings of Cass County Telephone Company.

The Commission finds that notice of this Stipulation and Agreement should be given to the general public and to potentially interested parties. A date for intervention of proper parties will also be set. The Commission's Data Center shall mail a copy of this notice to the County Commissions of Cass, Bates, Henry, and Johnson Counties, as well as to all incumbent local exchange carriers, all competitive local exchange carriers, and all interexchange carriers providing service in Missouri. In addition, the Commission's public information officer shall make notice of this order available to the media serving Cass, Bates, Henry, and Johnson Counties and to the members of the General Assembly representing Cass, Bates, Henry, and Johnson Counties.

The requirement of a hearing has been fulfilled when all those having a desire to be heard are offered an opportunity to be heard. If no proper party is granted intervention and no party requests a hearing, the Commission may determine that a hearing is not necessary.

**IT IS ORDERED THAT:**

1. The Missouri Public Service Commission's Data Center is ordered to serve notice as set out herein.

2. The Missouri Public Service Commission's information officer is ordered to serve notice as set out herein.

3. Any proper person wishing to intervene in this matter shall file an application to do so no later than April 24, 2006. Such applications shall be filed with:

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Missouri Public Service Commission  
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Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

with a copy served on:

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4. This order shall become effective on April 3, 2006.

**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale  
Secretary

( S E A L )

Morris L. Woodruff, 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 April, 2006.