

**BEFORE THE MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

In the Matter of CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC and )  
Spectra Communications Group, LLC, d/b/a )  
CenturyTel Tariff Filings to Grandfather Remote )  
Call Forward Services to Existing Customers and )  
Existing Locations. )

**Case No. TC-2007-0307**  
Tariff Nos. JI-2007-0498  
JI-2007-0499

**JOINT MOTION TO CANCEL EVIDENTIARY HEARING  
AND MOTION FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT**

COME NOW CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC, Spectra Communications Group, LLC d/b/a CenturyTel and Socket Telecom, LLC ("Joint Movants")<sup>1</sup> pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.080 and 2.110, and move the Commission to cancel the evidentiary hearing in this matter currently scheduled for October 18 and 19, 2007, and to permit the parties to submit the case for consideration and decision by the Commission by submitting briefs on or before October 31, 2007. In addition, Joint Movants seek expedited treatment of this Motion as fully set forth herein. In support of their Motions, Joint Movants respectfully state as follows:

1. In accordance with the Commission's *Order Setting Procedural Schedule* issued in this matter on March 26, 2007, the parties have prefiled Direct, Rebuttal and Surrebuttal Testimony, as well as their Statement of Positions in this proceeding. Pursuant to Joint Motions to extend the hearing schedule, the Commission has moved the hearing dates to allow the parties to continue settlement discussions. The Commission's most recent *Order Granting Joint Motion To Extend Hearing Schedule* issued on

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<sup>1</sup> Joint Movants are authorized to state that the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission neither opposes nor supports the relief requested herein. The Office of Public Counsel has not taken an active role in this case.

September 11, 2007, set this matter for evidentiary hearing to begin on October 18, 2007, and continuing on October 19 as necessary.

2. Joint Movants have agreed that this matter can be fully submitted to the Commission for a decision by: (1) stipulating that the Direct, Rebuttal and Surrebuttal Testimony may be entered into the record without objection; (2) waiving cross-examination of the witnesses sponsoring such testimony; and (3) filing one round of briefs on or before October 31, 2007. Joint Movants respectfully submit that such procedures will provide sufficient time for the Commission to render its decision in this matter prior to the subject tariffs' suspension date of December 18, 2007.

3. In support of their Motion for Expedited Treatment in accordance with Rule 4 CSR 240-2.080(16), Joint Movants request that the Commission grant this Motion during their next Agenda Meeting, now scheduled for Tuesday, October 16, 2007.<sup>2</sup> There will be no negative effect on the parties' customers or the general public if the Commission acts by the desired date, and benefits will accrue and judicial economy will be achieved by the parties and the Commission avoiding unnecessary expense and time that will otherwise be incurred in preparing and going to hearing as currently scheduled. This pleading was filed as soon as it could have been, based on the Joint Movants reaching their agreement at the end of last week.

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<sup>2</sup> Joint Movants note that this matter is currently on the Commission's October 16<sup>th</sup> Agenda Meeting as Item No. 1 under Case Discussion.

WHEREFORE, Joint Movants respectfully request that the Commission cancel the evidentiary hearing now scheduled for October 18-19, 2007; permit the parties to stipulate to the introduction of the witness' prefiled testimony previously submitted in this matter into the record and the waiving of cross-examination of such witnesses; direct the parties to file briefs on or before October 31, 2007; and to grant the relief requested herein on an expedited basis by October 16, 2007.

CURTIS, HEINZ, GARRETT & O'KEEFE, P.C.

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A true and correct copy of the foregoing was served upon the parties identified below on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2007, by either placing same in the U.S. Mail, postage paid, by fax or email transmission.

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