

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

In the Matter of Granite)
Telecommunications, LLC Tariff to)
Implement Missouri Universal Service)
Fund Surcharges on an Expedited Basis)

Case No. LO-2005-0382
Tariff File No. YL-2005-0923

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and for its recommendation states:

1. On April 21, 2005, Granite Telecommunications LLC filed tariff sheets designed to implement collection of the Missouri Universal Service Fund surcharge, along with a motion for expedited treatment. The tariff sheets bear an effective date of May 22, 2005, and Granite requests expedited treatment so the tariffs can become effective on May 1, 2005.

2. Also on April 21, the Commission directed the Staff to file its recommendation concerning the tariff sheets as soon as possible.

3. In the attached Memorandum, labeled Appendix A, the Staff recommends approval of the tariff sheets with the requested early effective date of May 1, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

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