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

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In The Matter of the Application of CenturyTel Broadband Services, LLC for Video Service Authorization

Case No. KA-2008-\_\_\_\_

## MOTION FOR EXPEIDITED TREATMENT OF CENTURYTEL BROADBAND SERVICES, LLC

COMES NOW CenturyTel Broadband Services, LLC, ("Company"), through their undersigned counsel, and pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.080(16) respectfully request expedited treatment in the Missouri Public Service Commission's ("Commission") review and approval of the Application filed in this matter concurrently herewith. In support of their Motion, Company respectfully states:

1. Concurrently with the filing of this Motion, the Company has filed an Application For Video Service Authorization ("Application") requesting authority to provide video services in Columbia, Missouri. Company respectfully requests that the Commission act expeditiously to grant the authority and relief requested in the Application as soon as practicable, but to be effective no later than September 4, 2007.

2. The benefits that will accrue if the commission acts by the date desired by the Company include "facilitating a competitive marketplace that will, in turn encourage investment and deployment of new and innovative services in political subdivisions and provide benefits to the citizens of this state." Section 67.2679 RSMo Supp. 2000 (Cum.Supp. 2007). The introduction of competition to the video services market in Columbia, Missouri, will be expected to result in lower rates, better service, and a choice of providers for video services for consumers. In addition, the Company has been providing these services on a test basis, without charge, to a small number of customers. The Company believes that the permanent offering of these video services will benefit the broader public interest. There will be no negative effect on the Company's customers or the general public if the commission acts by the date desired by the parties.

3. The Company respectfully states that this pleading was filed as soon as it could have been since it was filed concurrently with the Application.

WHEREFORE, CenturyTel Broadband Services, LLC respectfully requests the Commission to grant its Motion for Expedited Treatment and to grant the authority and relief requested in the Application as soon as practicable, but to be effective no later than September 4, 2007, if possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was delivered by first class mail, electronic mail or hand delivery, on this 28<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2007, to the political subdivision listed above, the Office of the Public Counsel, and the General Counsel of the Missouri Public Service Commission.

/s/ James M. Fischer

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