

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

In the Matter of a Request for the modification	)	
Of the Springfield Metropolitan Calling Area	)	
Plan to Make the Ozark Exchange a Mandatory	)	<b><u>Case No. TO-2005-0143</u></b>
MCA Tier 1 Exchange.	)	

**CENTURYTEL OF MISSOURI, LLC'S  
MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER**

**COMES NOW** CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC ("CenturyTel"), pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.085, and respectfully requests the Commission to issue its Standard Protective Order in this proceeding. In support thereof, CenturyTel state as follows:

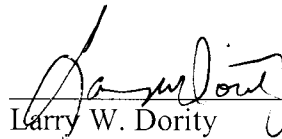
1. CenturyTel is currently preparing responses to Data Requests propounded by the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission.
2. In preparing its Responses to Staff's Data Requests, CenturyTel has determined that certain information should not be made public.
3. Specifically, CenturyTel anticipates that certain information, although relevant, should not be made public because it is either: (a) "proprietary" in that the information contains trade secrets, as well as confidential or private technical, financial and business information; or (b) "highly confidential" in that the information concerns:  
(1) material or documents that contain information relating directly to specific customers;  
(2) employee-sensitive information; (3) marketing analyses or other market-specific information relating to services offered in competition with others; (4) reports, work papers or other documentation related to work produced by internal or external auditors or consultants; and/or (5) strategies employed, to be employed, or under consideration in

contract negotiations. None of the information for which a claim of confidentiality is made can be found in any format in any other public document.

4. CenturyTel, therefore, respectfully requests that the Commission issue its Standard Protective Order so that CenturyTel's proprietary and highly confidential information are adequately protected.

WHEREFORE, CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC respectfully requests that the Commission issue its Standard Protective Order, together with any further and additional relief the Commission deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,



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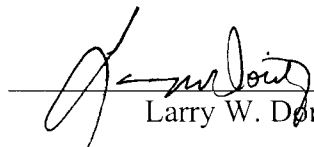
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