

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

In the Matter of the Application for)	
Approval of the Transfer of Control of)	
Alltel Missouri, Inc. and the Transfer of)	<u>Case No. TM-2006-0272</u>
Alltel Communications, Inc. Interexchange)	
Service Customer Base.)	

MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

COME NOW Alltel Missouri, Inc., Alltel Communications, Inc., Alltel Holding Corp., Alltel Holding Corporate Services, Inc. and Valor Communications Group, Inc. (“Valor”) (hereafter referred to collectively as “Applicants”), pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.085, and respectfully request the Commission to issue its Standard Protective Order in this proceeding. In support thereof, Applicants state as follows:

1. Applicants are currently preparing responses to Data Requests propounded by the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission.
2. In preparing Responses to Staff’s Data Requests, Applicants have determined that certain information should not be made public.
3. Specifically, Applicants anticipate 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. Applicants, therefore, respectfully request that the Commission issue its Standard Protective Order so that Applicants' proprietary and highly confidential information are adequately protected.

WHEREFORE, Applicants respectfully request 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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