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Missouri Public Service Commission

Re: Northeast Missouri Rural Telephone Company - revised Local Exchange Tariff Filing

Dear Mr. Roberts,

Please find enclosed for filing on behalf of Northeast Missouri Rural Telephone Company, three (3) copies of the following revised tariff sheets:

P.S.C. Mo. No. 2, First Revised Sheet No. 4-33 P.S.C. Mo. No. 2, First Revised Sheet No. 4-34 P.S.C. Mo. No. 2, First Revised Sheet No. 4-35 P.S.C. Mo. No. 2, First Revised Sheet No. 4-36 P.S.C. Mo. No. 2, First Revised Sheet No. 4-37 P.S.C. Mo. No. 2, Third Revised Sheet No. 4-38 P.S.C. Mo. No. 2, Original Sheet No. 4-39 P.S.C. Mo. No. 2, Original Sheet No. 4-40

The purpose of this filing is to add provisions for low-income assistance and disabled assistance through the Missouri Universal Service Fund.

Please also find attached a copy of Northeast Missouri Rural Telephone Company's Request for Waiver. The purpose for this waiver is to exempt Northeast from collecting its surcharge from its customers due to administrative costs and burdens, and permit Northeast to pay the USF assessment directly from its revenue.

Please see that this filing is brought to the attention of the appropriate Commission personnel. If there are any questions regarding the attached they may be directed to me at the above number.

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Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely, Lipa Charl Lisa Chase

Enclosure

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In the Matter of Northeast Missouri Rural Telephone Company Request for Waiver of Compliance with The Requirement of 4 CSR 240-31.065 (1)

Case No. _____

REQUEST FOR WAIVER

COMES NOW Northeast Missouri Rural Telephone Company ("Northeast") in

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accordance with Commission rules 4 CSR 240-2.060(4) and in support of its request for

a waiver of compliance from the requirements of 4 CSR 240-31.065(1), states as

follows:

1. Northeast is an incumbent local exchange company certificated to provide

services in Northeast Missouri.

2. Correspondence, communications, orders, and decisions of the Commission in this matter should be sent to:

Craig Johnson/Lisa Chase Andereck, Evans, Milne, Peace & Johnson, LLC 700 E. Capitol Ave. P.O. Box 1438 Jefferson City, MO 65102-1438 Phone: (573) 634-3422 Fax: (573) 634-7822 Cjohnson@aempb.com Lisachase@aempb.com

3. Northeast requests the Commission grant it a waiver from a portion of 4 CSR 240-31.065 – Collection of Mo-USF Surcharge from End-User Subscribers. The Commission's rule 4 CSR 240-31.065(1) directs the procedure for collecting the Missouri USF surcharge from a company's end-users. Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.060 the Commission is authorized to waive procedural rules for cause.

4. Northeast seeks to be exempted from the collection of the Missouri USF surcharge from its end-users at this time. Its management has determined that the administrative cost and burden of passing through the surcharge to their customers is greater than the amount likely to be collected from its customers. At this time, Northeast desires to pay the USF assessment directly from its revenue, and bear that cost instead of placing it on their customers.

WHEREFORE, Northeast Missouri Rural Telephone Company, based on the foregoing, respectfully requests that the Commission enter an order granting Northeast a waiver from the provisions of 4 CSR 240-31.065(1) regarding the collection of the Missouri USF surcharge.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned does hereby certify that a true and accurate copy of the foregoing was hand delivered or mailed, via U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, this 1st day of April, 2005, to the following parties to:

General Counsel **Missouri Public Service Commission** P.O. Box 360 Jefferson City, MO 65102

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