

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

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| In the Matter of the Application for Certificate |) | |
| of Service Authority to Provide Local |) | |
| Exchange and Interchange Telecommunications |) | Case No. LO-2008-0217 |
| Services Throughout the State of Missouri and |) | |
| to Classify the Company as Competitive |) | |

EMBARQ MISSOURI, INC.'S APPLICATION TO INTERVENE

EMBARQ Missouri, Inc. ("Embarq") respectfully submits this Application to Intervene in the above-captioned case, in accordance with the provisions of 4 CSR 240-2.075. In support, Embarq states as follows:

1. On December 31, 2007, Comcast IP Phone of Missouri, LLC, d/b/a Comcast Digital Voice ("Comcast") filed its application for a certificate of service authority to provide local exchange and interexchange telecommunications service and for competitive classification. In paragraph 9 of its application, Comcast indicated that it proposes to provide local exchange services in the service areas of Embarq, SBC, CenturyTel and Spectra.

2. On January 7, 2008, the Commission issued a notice of Comcast's application for intrastate certificate of service authority and opportunity to intervene, indicating that parties wishing to intervene should do so by January 22, 2008. Moreover, the Commission notice indicated that Comcast would be seeking the standard waivers as well as a request for certain *additional* waivers.

3. Embarq is duly authorized to conduct business in Missouri with its principal Missouri office located at 319 Madison Street, Jefferson City, MO. Embarq is a "local exchange telecommunications company" and a "public utility," and is duly authorized to provide

“telecommunications service” within the State of Missouri as each of those phrases is defined in Section 386.020 RSMo.

4. All correspondence, pleadings, orders, decisions and communications regarding this proceeding should be sent to:

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5. Comcast’s application requests certification in areas in which Embarq provides local exchange service. As such, Comcast currently competes directly with Embarq in the provision of telecommunications service to the public and no other party to this proceeding will adequately protect Embarq’s interests. Furthermore, Comcast’s application seeks waivers from Commission rules that are in addition to the standard waivers routinely granted to CLECs that compete with Embarq. Therefore, Embarq has a direct interest in the Comcast application that is different than that of the general public and which may be adversely affected by the final order arising from this case. Based on the preceding, granting Embarq’s intervention would be in the public interest.

6. Based upon the information contained in Comcast’s application, , at this time Embarq opposes Comcast’s requested relief of *additional* waivers beyond the standard waivers.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, Embark respectfully requests that the Commission grant it intervention in the above-captioned case.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the above and foregoing was served on the following parties by first-class/electronic/facsimile mail, this 22nd day of January 2008.

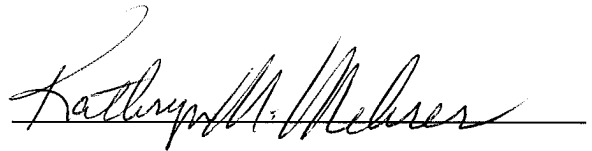
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