

BEFORE THE MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC's)
Request for Competitive Classification Pursuant to) Case No. IO-2006-0109
Section 392.245.5 RSMo. (2005).)

SOCKET TELECOM'S RESPONSE AS DIRECTED
BY COMMISSION ORDER DATED SEPTEMBER 22, 2005

COMES NOW Socket Telecom, LLC and for its Response as Directed by
Commission Order dated September 22, 2005 states:

1. Socket understands that CenturyTel is seeking competitive classification under Section 392.245 RSMo. for its residential basic local telecommunications service in the exchanges of Dardenne, O'Fallon, St. Peters, and Wentzville, and for its business basic local telecommunications service in the exchanges of Bourbon, Columbia, Cuba, O'Fallon, St. James, St. Peters, and Wentzville. Socket understands that CenturyTel has withdrawn its requests for competitive classification of residential service in the Bourbon, Branson and Columbia exchanges and for business service in the Dardenne exchange.

2. Pursuant to the Commission's Order of September 22, 2005, Socket states that it does not currently serve at least two residential basic local service customers whose addresses are located within any of the seven exchanges for which CenturyTel originally sought residential competitive classification. Further, Socket states that it does currently serve at least two business basic local service customers whose addresses are located within the Columbia exchange, but not in any of the seven other exchanges for which CenturyTel originally sought business competitive classification.

3. Socket further confirms the accuracy of the direct testimony of staff witness John Van Eschen, page 12 line 23 to page 13 line 4, regarding the two test lines that Socket uses in the Columbia exchange.

4. Having fully answered the Commission's question, Socket respectfully requests to be excused from attending the hearing on September 27, 2005 in this matter and further to be dismissed from this proceeding as a party.

WHEREFORE, Socket requests the Commission to accept this response, excuse Socket from the hearing, and dismiss Socket as a party.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERIFICATION

I, R. MATTHEW KOHLY, first being duly sworn, state on my oath that I am over the age of twenty-one years, sound of mind, and an employee of Socket Telecom, LLC. I am authorized to act on behalf of Socket Telecom, LLC, regarding the foregoing document. I have read the foregoing document and I am informed and believe that the matters contained therein are true. Further, I hereby confirm that Carl J. Lumley, Leland B. Curtis, and Curtis, Heinz, Garrett & O'Keefe, P.C., 130 S. Bemiston, Suite 200, Clayton, Missouri 63105, are authorized to sign all pleadings and documents necessary to obtain the decision of the Missouri Public Service Commission on the foregoing document, and to represent Socket Telecom, LLC in this proceeding.

R Matthew Kohly
R. Matthew Kohly

On this 26th day of September, 2005, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared R. Matthew Kohly, and being first duly sworn upon his oath stated that he is over twenty-one years, sound of mind and an employee of Socket Telecom, LLC, he signed the foregoing document as an employee of Socket Telecom, LLC, and the facts contained therein are true and correct according to the best of his information, knowledge and belief.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal in the County and State aforesaid, the day and year above-written.

Joe Paul Vossler
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

11-4-08

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Certificate of Service

A true and correct copy of the foregoing was served upon the parties identified on the attached service list on this 26th day of September, 2005, by email and/or by placing same in the U.S. Mail, postage paid.

/s/ Carl J. Lumley

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