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Collen M. Dale Secretary Missouri Public Service Commission P.O. Box 360 Jefferson City, MO 65102

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Service Commission

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Re: Otelco Telecommunications LLC Application for toll authority

Secretary Dale:

Please find enclosed an original and 14 copies of this application. Copies have been provided to Staff and to OPC.

Please list me as an authorized filer on behalf of Otelco, so future filings can be done through EFIS.

Thanks.

Craig S. Johnson

cc: Kevin Thompson

Michael Dandino

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of the Application of)	Service Commission
Otelco Telecommunications LLC for)	
Certificate(s) of Service Authority to)	
Provide Interexchange or Toll Tele-)	Case No.
communications Service within the)	
State of Missouri.)	

APPLICATION

Comes now Otelco Telecommunications LLC, (hereinafter "Applicant"), a Delaware limited liability company authorized to do business in Missouri, pursuant to § 392.410 RSMo 2003, § 392.420-.455 RSMo 2000, § 392.361 RSMo 2000, 4 CSR 240-2.060(1) and (4), and 4 CSR 240-3.510, and makes this verified application requesting that the Missouri Public Service Commission (hereinafter "Commission") issue an order that grants to Applicant a certificate or certificates of service authority to provide interexchange or toll telecommunications services within the State of Missouri. In support of this Application, Applicant states as follows:

- Applicant's legal name is Otelco Telecommunications, LLC. 1.
- 2. Applicant is a Delaware limited liability company.
- 3. Applicant is an affiliate of Mid-Missouri Telephone Company, an incumbent rural local exchange telecommunications company operating in central Missouri.
- 3. Applicant's official permanent address is 505 Third Avenue East, Oneonta, Alabama, 35121, telephone number 205-625-3574, fax number 205-274-8999.

- 4. Applicant's mailing address for Missouri operations is 215 Roe Street,
 P.O. Box 38, Pilot Grove, Missouri, 65276, telephone number 660-834-3311, fax number 660-834-6632.
- 5. Applicant has not yet been authorized to do business in Missouri.

 Applicant is in good standing with Delaware, see attachment A hereto. On September 6, 2006 Applicant requested a more current certificate of good standing from Delaware in order to satisfy the Missouri Secretary of State filing requirements needed to obtain a Certificate of Authority to Do Business in Missouri. Applicant understands the authority requested herein cannot be granted until the Certificate of Authority to Do Business in Missouri is issued by the Missouri Secretary of State. Applicant will supplement this filing upon receipt thereof.
- 6. Applicant provides interexchange or toll telecommunications services, and desires authority to provide the same in Missouri.
- 7. All communications, notices, orders and decisions respecting this Application and proceeding should be addressed to:

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with a copy to:

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- 8. Applicant has no pending action or final unsatisfied judgments or decisions against it from any state or federal agency or courts which involve customer service or rates, which action, judgment or decision has occurred within three years of the date of this Application.
 - 9. Applicant has no annual report or assessment fees which are overdue.
- 10. Applicant requests a certificate or certificates of service authority to provide both switched interLATA and intraLATA interexchange telecommunications services within the state of Missouri.
- 11. Upon issuance of the requested authority, Applicant will be providing interexchange services pursuant to tariffs. At this time Applicant is in the process of formulating these tariffs, but they are not ready for filing. It is anticipated the tariff will bear a proposed December 1, 2006 effective date. Applicant requests a temporary waiver of the requirement of 4 CSR 240-3.510(1) that proposed tariffs accompany this Application. Applicant will not offer service pursuant to the certificate(s) of authority requested herein until its tariffs are effective.
- 12. Applicant is in all respects fit, qualified, and capable of providing the services for which service authority is requested herein. Applicant possesses sufficient technical, managerial, and financial resources and abilities to provide the services for which service authority is requested herein.
- 13. Granting of this Application is in the public interest in that it increases competition and increases the number of available interexchange carriers providing service in Missouri, as well as increasing the variety of telecommunications service available.

14. Applicant requests competitive classification and attendant standard waivers of the following rules and statutes:

Statutory Provisions

§ 392.210.2	uniform system of accounts
§ 392.240.1	rates-rentals-service & physical connections
§ 392.270	valuation of property (ratemaking)
§ 392.2 8 0	depreciation accounts
§ 392.290	issuance of securities
§ 392.300.2	acquisition of stock
§ 392.310	stock and debt issuance
§ 392.320	stock dividend payment
§ 392.330	issuance of securities, debts and notes
§ 392.340	reorganization

Commission Rules

4 CSR 240-10.020	depreciation fund income
4 CSR 240-30.040	uniform system of accounts
4 CSR 240-3.550(5)(c)	exchange boundary maps

15. Applicant's verification of the contents of this Application accompanies this Application.

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests that the Commission grants it certificates of authority to provide interexchange telecommunications services within Missouri, competitive classifications and standard waivers, and other relief set forth above.

Respectfully submitted,

LAW OFFICE OF CRAIG S. **JOHNSON**

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ATTORNEY FOR APPLICANT

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was sent by electronic mail this 4th day of October, 2006, to the following parties:

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

General Counsel Office of the Public Counsel P.O. Box 7800 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

Craig S. Johnson

VERIFICATION

I, Curtis L. Garner, Jr., Chief Financial Officer of Otelco Telecommunications LLC, hereby verify and affirm that I have read the foregoing Application, and that the statements contained herein are true and correct to the best of my information and belief.

Curtis L. Garner, Jr.

STATE OF ALABAMA)
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COUNTY OF BLOUNT)

Subscribed and sworn to me, a Notary Public, on this 6th day of Soptentar, 2006.

Shere Cam Notary Public

My Commission expires <u>September 15, 2008</u>



January 6, 2005

Emily Choi O'Melveny & Myers LLP 7 Times Square New York, NY 10036

Dear Ms Choi:

RE: Otelco Telecommunications LLC

Pursuant to your request, we have obtained verbal status from the Office of the Secretary of State of Delaware and have been advised that the above entity is in Good Standing as of today, January 6, 2005.

If we can be of any additional assistance, please do not hesitate to call.

Very truly yours,

Gary Sherman

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Senior Corporate Specialist

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I, HARRIET SMITH WINDSOR, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ATTACHED ARE TRUE AND CORRECT COPIES OF ALL DOCUMENTS ON FILE OF "OTELCO TELECOMMUNICATIONS LLC" AS RECEIVED AND FILED IN THIS OFFICE.

THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS HAVE BEEN CERTIFIED:

CERTIFICATE OF FORMATION, FILED THE TWENTIETH DAY OF OCTOBER, A.D. 1998, AT 9 O'CLOCK A.M.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE AFORESAID CERTIFICATES ARE THE ONLY CERTIFICATES ON RECORD OF THE AFORESAID LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY.

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Darriet Smith Hindson Harriet Smith Windsor, Secretary of State
AUTHENTICATION: 3538023

DATE: 12-10-04

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