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

In the Matter of the Application of Q Link Wireless, LLC, for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier in the State of Missouri

File No. RA-2012-0205

## STAFF REQUEST FOR DELAY

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**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and for its status report, states as follows:

1. On January 4, 2012, Q Link Wireless, LLC ("the Company"), a wireless carrier, filed an application with the Missouri Public Service Commission seeking designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") for the purpose of receiving federal universal service fund support for low income customers. On April 30, 2012, the Staff recommended that the Commission grant ETC status for low-income support.

2. The Staff's recommendation was, in part, predicated on the belief that the Company would provide service using its own facilities (at least in part) and was not required to have an FCC-approved compliance plan prior to designation as an ETC in Missouri. The Staff has recently become aware that the Company has a compliance plan pending at the FCC. The Staff does not know whether this is because the Company is not truly facilities-based or is still required to have an approved compliance plan even though it is at least partially facilities-based. Until the Staff can confirm that the Commission can approve this application prior to the FCC granting approval of the

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proposed compliance plan or until the plan is approved by the FCC, the Staff requests that the Commission delay ruling on this matter.

WHEREFORE, Staff requests that the Commission delay action on its pending recommendation to grant ETC status to the Company until the remaining issues described above are resolved and the Staff files another recommendation that the Application be granted without further delay.

Respectfully submitted,

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 11<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2012.