OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

CENTURYTEL OF MISSOURI, LLC,))
Complainant,) CASE NO. IC-2008-0068
v. .	\
SOCKET TELECOM, LLC,	
Respondent.))

PETITION FOR LEAVE TO ENTER APPEARANCE

COMES NOW Gavin E. Hill of Hughes & Luce LLP and, pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.040(3)(c), respectfully petitions the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") to permit him to appear and represent CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC, in addition to other local counsel, in this matter. In support of this petition, Mr. Hill states and certifies as follows:

- 1. I am an attorney employed by the law firm of Hughes & Luce LLP, 1717 Main Street, Suite 2800, Dallas, Texas 75201, and a member in good standing of the bar and the courts of the State of Texas and the United States District Court of the Northern, Southern, Eastern and Western Districts of Texas.
- 2. I have not been disqualified from practicing in any of the courts listed in paragraph 1. None of the attorneys employed by my firm have been disqualified from practicing in any courts.
- 3. Attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit A is a copy of the receipt issued by the Clerk of the Supreme Court acknowledging receipt of

the \$100 fee required by Rule 6.01(m) for me to appear for the above-referenced party in connection with this proceeding.

4. I hereby designate Larry W. Dority, Fischer & Dority, P.C., 101 Madison, Suite 400, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101, as associate counsel for purposes of this petition, and by their signatures they accept such designation.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the undersigned has caused a complete copy of the attached document to be electronically filed and served on the Commission's Office of General Counsel (at gencounsel@psc.mo.gov), the Office of the Public Counsel (at opcservice@ded.mo.gov), and counsel for Socket Telecom, LLC (at clumley@lawfirmemail.com; lcurtis@lawfirmemail.com) on this 7th day of September, 2007.

/s/ Larry W. Dority

Larry W. Dority



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This will hereby acknowledge receipt of \$100 as required by Rule 6.01(m) for Gavin E. Hill appearing in Centurytel of Missouri, LLC., vs. Socket Telecom, LLC, Case No. 1C-2008-0068 to be filed with the Public Service Commission of Missouri.

Thomas F. Simon, Clerk