

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

In the Matter of CenturyTel of Missouri,)	
LLC and Spectra Communications Group,)	
LLC d/b/a CenturyTel Tariff Filings to)	Case No. TC-2007-0307
Grandfather Remote Call Forward Services)	Tariff Nos. JI-2007-0498
To Existing Customers and Existing)	JI-2007-0499
Locations.)	

**RESPONSE IN OPPOSITION TO REQUEST
TO SUSPEND OR REJECT PROPOSED TARIFF SHEETS**

COME NOW CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC and Spectra Communications Group, LLC, d/b/a CenturyTel (collectively "CenturyTel"), pursuant to Commission Rules 4 CSR 240-2.080(15) and 2.065(3), and for their Response in Opposition to Socket Telecom, LLC's and Socket Internet's Request to Suspend or Reject Proposed Tariff Sheets, respectfully state as follows:

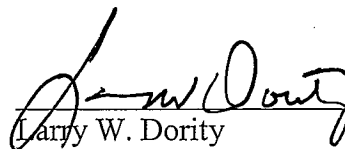
1. On January 19, 2007, CenturyTel filed proposed tariff sheets to grandfather its Remote Call Forward ("RCF") service to existing customers at existing locations. These proposed tariff sheets reflect an effective date of February 18, 2007. On February 15, 2007, Socket Telecom, LLC and Socket Holdings Corporation d/b/a Socket Internet (collectively "Socket") filed *Socket Telecom, LLC's and Socket Internet's Request to Suspend or Reject Proposed Tariff Sheets*, requesting "the Commission to reject, or alternatively, suspend CenturyTel's proposed tariff filing numbers JI-2007-0498 and JI-2007-0499, direct CenturyTel to fill all pending orders for RCF service and for resale of RCF service, and grant such other and further relief as the Commission deems necessary and proper." In its pleading, Socket alleges that "[d]espite the fact that CenturyTel still offers RCF in its tariffs, pending approval of its proposed revisions to

grandfather that service, CenturyTel has failed and refused to fulfill orders for RCF from Socket Internet and resale orders for RCF from Socket Telecom.”¹

2. CenturyTel welcomes the opportunity to address such allegations and will cooperate with Staff in examining these issues. However, any purported actions occurring prior to the pending tariffs’ effective date is a separate matter that can be addressed without affecting the ability of CenturyTel to grandfather such services to existing customers and existing locations on the effective date of February 18, 2007.

WHEREFORE, CenturyTel respectfully suggests that the Commission should deny the requests of Socket and the Staff to suspend the subject tariff sheets, and should allow the tariffs to go into effect on February 18, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,


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¹ On February 15, 2007, the Staff of the Commission filed its Response to Socket’s Request, recommending that the Commission suspend the tariff sheets to permit further investigation, particularly regarding the purported refusal of CenturyTel to process pending orders for RCF service.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was hand-delivered, emailed or mailed this 15th day of February, 2007 to:

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