BEFORE THE MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BIG RIVER TELEPHONE)	
COMPANY, LLC,)	
)	
Complainant,)	
)	
V.) Case No. TC-2007	'-0085
)	
SOUTHWESTERN BELL)	
TELEPHONE, L.P. D/B/A)	
AT&T MISSOURI,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

BIG RIVER TELEPHONE COMPANY, LLC'S RESPONSE TO ORDER DIRECTING FILING

COMES NOW Big River Telephone Company, LLC, pursuant to the Commission's Order Directing Filing issued July 2, 2008 and states to the Commission:

- 1. Big River has no objection to this case remaining inactive pending conclusion of the related proceedings now pending before the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals.
- 2. Big River reiterates that there are issues presented in this case that will not be affected by the related proceedings.
- 3. Big River advises the Commission that the parties are actively engaged in settlement negotiations that include the subject matter of this case.
- 4. Big River suggests that when the related proceedings ultimately conclude, the Commission should convene a prehearing conference for the parties to discuss settlement and scheduling matters or otherwise allow the parties to inform the Commission regarding such matters, before any other action is taken.

WHEREFORE, Big River Telephone, LLC asks the Commission to consider this Response to Order Directing Filing as it determines how to proceed in this case.

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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 9th day of July, 2008, by either placing same in the U.S. Mail, postage paid, by fax or email transmission.

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