BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

FullTel, Inc.,

Complainant,

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CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC,

Respondent.

Case No. TC-2006-0068

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT

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Issue Date: August 10, 2005

Effective Date: August 20, 2005

On August 8, 2005, FullTel, Inc., filed with the Missouri Public Service Commission a complaint against CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC. FullTel alleges that CenturyTel is in breach of the interconnection agreement between the two companies.

With its complaint, FullTel also requests that the Commission expedite this matter. In support of its motion, FullTel requests that the Commission act on its complaint no later than September 23, 2005. To accomplish this end, FullTel requests: that CenturyTel be allowed 15 rather than 30 days to respond to the complaint; that the Commission direct the Staff of the Commission to investigate and file a report in this matter by September 8, 2005; and that a hearing in this matter be concluded by September 16, 2005.

In further support of its motion, FullTel explains that it has tried to resolve this matter without the Commission's guidance and because its efforts have been fruitless, it was necessary to file this complaint now. FullTel also states that because it is not interconnected with CenturyTel, it is unable to provide service and compete in the marketplace. FullTel adds that if the requested relief is granted there will be a positive impact on the general public in that interconnection with CenturyTel will widen the field of competition. FullTel finally states that no negative effects are anticipated either upon the complainant, its future customers, or the general public if the Commission grants the requested relief.

The Commission finds that Movant has satisfied the requirements of the Commission rule 4 CSR 240-2.080(16). The Commission further finds that the nature of this complaint requires expedient resolution and the Commission will act to that end.

The Commission has ordered CenturyTel to respond to the complaint within 15 days of being notified thereof. The Commission will direct its Staff to investigate and file a report in this matter by September 8, 2005. Finally, the Commission will set this matter for a prehearing conference for a time that will expedite the proceedings but will also allow Staff an opportunity to do some investigation and CenturyTel to file its answer. As will be discussed at the prehearing conference, there will be no prefiled testimony. The parties will be expected to file prehearing briefs, setting forth arguments, controlling law, the witnesses to be called at the hearing and what each witness' testimony will show. Lastly, the parties will be allowed to make closing arguments and file a posthearing brief.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Motion for Expedited Treatment filed by FullTel, Inc., is granted.

2. That the Staff of the Commission shall investigate and file a report in this matter no later than September 8, 2005.

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3. That a prehearing conference shall be held on August 29, 2005, beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Room 305, Jefferson City, Missouri. This prehearing conference will be held in a building that meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you need additional accommodations to participate in the conference, please call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 prior to the conference.

4. That this order shall become effective on August 20, 2005.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

(SEAL)

Kennard L. Jones, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 10th day of August, 2005.