

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the matter of the Joint Application of Comtel)
Telecom Assets LP and VarTec Telecom, Inc.,)
Excel Telecommunications, Inc., and VarTec)
Solutions, Inc., for Approval of a Transfer of)
Assets.)
Case No. TM-2006-0186

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

Issue Date: November 8, 2005

Effective Date: November 8, 2005

On November 2, 2005, Comtel Telecom Assets LP and VarTec Telecom, Inc., Excel Telecommunications, Inc., and VarTec Solutions, Inc. (together, the “VarTec Companies”), filed a joint application for authority to complete the acquisition by Comtel of certain assets of the VarTec Companies. Comtel also requests that the Commission transfer the VarTec Companies’ certificates of service authority to provide basic local and intrastate interexchange telecommunications services to Comtel. In the alternative, Comtel requests that the Commission grant it new certificates of service authority.

The Commission notes that Comtel’s Application for Consent to Transfer Assets does not comply with the Commission’s rule, 4 CSR 240-3.510, regarding applications for certificates of service authority to provide telecommunications services. The Commission will direct Comtel to file a separate application for certificates of service authority in accordance with that rule. That application shall be filed as a new case.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That no later than November 22, 2005, Comtel Telcom Assets LP shall file an application for certificates of service authority in compliance with this order. As noted above, that application shall be filed as a new case.
2. That this order shall become effective on November 8, 2005.

BY THE COMMISSION



Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

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Vicky Ruth, Senior Regulatory Law
Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 8th day of November, 2005.