

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

In the Matter of the Joint Application of Cass County Telephone Company, Limited Partnership, LEC Long Distance, Inc. d/b/a CassTel Long Distance, FairPoint Communications, Inc., FairPoint Communications Missouri, Inc. d/b/a FairPoint Communications, and ST Long Distance, Inc. d/b/a FairPoint Communications Long Distance for Authority to Transfer and Acquire Cass County Telephone Company, Limited Partnership's and LEC Distance, Inc.'s Facilities or Systems Located in the State of Missouri; 2) for Issuance of Certificates of Service Authority to FairPoint Communications Missouri, Inc. d/b/a FairPoint Communications and ST Long Distance, Inc. d/b/a FairPoint Communications Long Distance; and 3) to Designate FairPoint Communications Missouri, Inc. d/b/a FairPoint Communications as a Telecommunications Carrier Eligible to Receive Federal Universal Service Support )

**Case No. TM-2006-0306**

**ORDER ESTABLISHING PROTECTIVE ORDER**

Issue Date: January 24, 2006

Effective Date: January 24, 2006

On January 23, 2006, Cass County Telephone Company, Limited Partnership; LEC Long Distance, Inc., d/b/a CassTel Long Distance; FairPoint Communications, Inc.; FairPoint Communications Missouri, Inc., d/b/a FairPoint Communications; and ST Long Distance, Inc., d/b/a FairPoint Communications Long Distance, filed a Motion for Protective Order. The movants request that the Commission issue its standard protective order to protect highly confidential and proprietary information from disclosure during the course of these proceedings.

Upon review of the motion, the Commission finds that there is a need to protect confidential information and that the request for a protective order is reasonable.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That the protective order attached to this order (Attachment A) is adopted.
2. That this order shall become effective on January 24, 2006.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



Colleen M. Dale  
Secretary

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Morris L. Woodruff, Deputy Chief Regulatory  
Law Judge, by delegation of authority  
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 24th day of January, 2006.