

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

Application of New London Telephone Company,     )  
Orchard Farm Telephone Company and Stoutland     )  
Telephone Company for Approval of a Wireless     ) **Case No. TK-2006-0154**  
Traffic Exchange Agreement under the     )  
Telecommunications Act of 1996     )

**ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE AND MAKING**  
**CINGULAR WIRELESS, LLC, A PARTY**

Issue Date: October 11, 2005

Effective Date: October 11, 2005

This order provides notice of this application to interested parties and joins the other party to the interconnection agreement, Cingular Wireless, LLC, as a party to this proceeding.

On October 6, 2005, New London Telephone Company, Orchard Farm Telephone Company and Stoutland Telephone Company (the TDS Companies) filed an application with the Commission for approval of an interconnection agreement with Cingular Wireless, LLC, under the provisions of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. The TDS Companies state that there are no unresolved issues and that the agreement complies with Section 252(e) of the Act in that it is not discriminatory to nonparty carriers and is consistent with the public interest. They request expeditious approval of the agreement.

Although Cingular is a party to the agreement, it did not join in the application. Because Cingular is a necessary party to a full and fair adjudication of this matter, the Commission will add it as a party to this case.

The Act provides that an interconnection or resale agreement must be approved unless the state commission finds that the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement, or that implementation of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.<sup>1</sup> Section 252(e)(4) of the Act provides that if the Commission has not approved an agreement within 90 days after submission, the agreement shall be deemed approved. Therefore, the Commission will proceed with this case expeditiously. The Commission finds that proper persons should be allowed 20 days from the issuance of this order to file a motion for hearing. The Commission also finds that notice of this application should be sent to all interexchange and local exchange telecommunications companies.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That the Commission's Data Center shall send notice to all interexchange and local exchange telecommunications companies.
2. That Cingular Wireless, LLC, is made a party to this case.
3. That any party wishing to request a hearing shall do so by filing a pleading no later than October 31, 2005, with:

Colleen M. Dale, Secretary  
Missouri Public Service Commission  
Post Office Box 360  
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

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<sup>1</sup> 47 U.S.C. § 252(e).

and send copies to:

Brian T. McCartney, Esq.  
312 East Capitol Ave.  
Post Office Box 456  
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

Cingular Wireless, LLC  
Attn: Legal - Interconnection  
5565 Glendridge Connector  
Suite 1700  
Atlanta, Georgia 30342

and:

Office of the Public Counsel  
Post Office Box 2230  
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

4. That the Staff of the Commission shall file a memorandum advising either approval or rejection of this agreement and giving the reasons therefor no later than November 10, 2005.

5. That this order shall become effective on October 11, 2005.

**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale  
Secretary

( S E A L )

Ronald D. Pridgin, Regulatory Law Judge,  
by delegation of authority pursuant  
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 11th day of October, 2005.