BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Adoption of the)	
CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC / CD)	
Telecommunications, LLC)	
Interconnection Agreement by Rystec,)	
Inc., and the Approval of the First)	Case No. TK-2007-0100
Addendum to Interconnection Agreement)	
Between CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC)	
and Rystec, Inc., pursuant to Sections)	
252(e) and 252(i) of the)	
Telecommunications Act of 1996)	

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) and for its recommendation respectfully states:

- 1. In a pleading filed on September 13, 2006, CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC (CenturyTel) requests the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) to (1) recognize the adoption by Rystec, Inc. (Rystec) of the previously approved interconnection agreement between CenturyTel and CD Telecommunications, LLC and (2) to approve an amendment, titled First Addendum to Interconnection Agreement, between CenturyTel and Rystec to that interconnection agreement.
- 2. Section 252(i) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 provides that "[a] local exchange carrier shall make available any interconnection, service, or network element provided under an agreement approved under this section to which it is a party to any other requesting telecommunications carrier upon the same terms and conditions as those provided in the agreement." 47 U.S.C. § 252(i).

- 3. In the attached Memorandum, which is labeled Appendix A, Staff states that the adopted interconnection agreement was previously approved in Case No. TK-2006-0126 and the Adoption includes a signature page signed by both parties to the adoption. Staff states that this adoption of a previously approved interconnection agreement is in compliance with 4 C.S.R. 240-3.513(4)(A), and thus the Adoption was deemed approved on September 13, 2006.
- 4. The Staff also states that the proposed Amendment between Spectra and Rystec meets the standards set forth in Section 252(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (47 U.S.C. § 252 (e)) in that the Amendment does not discriminate against telecommunications carriers not party to the Amendment and is not against the public interest, convenience, or necessity.
- 5. In Case No. IK-2007-0083, In the Matter of the Adoption of the CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC / C D Telecommunications, LLC Interconnection Agreement by Ozark Telecom, LLC, the Commission treated an adopted agreement with an addendum as a new agreement.

WHEREFORE, Staff recommends that the Commission approve the proposed Interconnection Agreement, and direct the parties to submit any modifications or amendments to the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 16th day of October 2006.

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