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IN THE MATTER OF A REQUEST FOR THE MODIFICATION  
OF THE SPRINGFIELD METROPOLITAN CALLING AREA  
PLAN TO MAKE THE OZARK EXCHANGE A MANDATORY  
MCA TIER 1 EXCHANGE

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April 19, 2005  
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In the Matter of a Request for the )  
Modification of the Springfield )  
Metropolitan Calling Area Plan to ) Case No. TO-2005-0143  
Make the Ozark Exchange a )  
Mandatory MCA Tier 1 Exchange )

VICKY RUTH, Presiding,  
SENIOR REGULATORY LAW JUDGE.

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Service Commission.

1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 JUDGE RUTH: Good morning. My name is  
3 Vicky Ruth, and I have been assigned to this case. Today  
4 is Tuesday, April 19th. It is ten o'clock, and we are  
5 here for a conference in TO-2005-143, in the matter of a  
6 request for modification to the Springfield metropolitan  
7 calling area plan to make Ozark exchange a mandatory MCA  
8 Tier 1 exchange.

9 This conference was scheduled to allow the  
10 parties to discuss the application and determine if any  
11 modifications should be made to it. The Commission  
12 expects that the parties will discuss how the proposal  
13 could be technically implemented in the most efficient  
14 manner consistent with any community of interest. The  
15 Commission also expects the parties to explore the issue  
16 of intercarrier compensation.

17 We're going to begin with entries of  
18 appearance, and I'll start over on this side of the room  
19 with you, Mr. Poston.

20 MR. POSTON: Marc Poston appearing for the  
21 Staff of the Commission.

22 MS. MacDONALD: Mimi MacDonald on behalf of  
23 Southwestern Bell Telephone, LP, d/b/a SBC Missouri. My  
24 address is One SBC Center, Room 3510, St. Louis, Missouri  
25 63101.

1 MR. DORITY: Good morning. Larry DORITY,  
2 Fischer & DORITY, PC. Our address is 101 Madison,  
3 Suite 400, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101, appearing on  
4 behalf of CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC, Spectra  
5 Communications Group, LLC, doing business as CenturyTel,  
6 and ALLTEL Missouri, Inc.

7 JUDGE RUTH: Thank you.

8 MR. MICHEEL: Douglas E. Micheel and  
9 Michael F. Dandino appearing on behalf of the Office of  
10 the Public Counsel and the public.

11 JUDGE RUTH: Ms. Chase?

12 MS. CHASE: Lisa Chase from Andereck,  
13 Evans, Milne, Peace & Johnson, LLC, 700 East Capitol,  
14 Jefferson City, Missouri 65203, appearing on behalf of  
15 Choctaw Telephone Company.

16 JUDGE RUTH: Thank you. I believe that's  
17 everyone.

18 Okay. I want to start off with a quick  
19 procedural matter. Public Counsel, I'm going to request  
20 that you please file a status update next Wednesday, which  
21 would be April 26th, I believe, simply indicating when  
22 you're going to file a pleading either with your  
23 modifications, if any, or a pleading indicating that there  
24 are no modifications.

25 Of course, if you're ready to do that

1 April 26, you can do that all in one pleading, but if  
2 you're not ready, I at least want a status update April  
3 26th telling me when something else is coming.

4 MR. MICHEEL: Aye-aye.

5 JUDGE RUTH: Once Public Counsel files its  
6 actual modifications, all parties have ten days and ten  
7 days only to respond. So if they're filed April 26th,  
8 you'll have ten days after that. However, the  
9 modifications may be filed at a later date based on what I  
10 just explained.

11 Do the parties have any questions or  
12 matters that they want to discuss on the record? Public  
13 Counsel, I'll actually begin with you this time. Was  
14 there anything you wanted to bring up on the record?

15 MR. MICHEEL: Not on the record, your  
16 Honor.

17 JUDGE RUTH: Mr. Dority?

18 MR. DORITY: No, thank you.

19 JUDGE RUTH: Ms. MacDonald?

20 MS. MacDONALD: No, thank you.

21 JUDGE RUTH: Mr. Poston?

22 MR. POSTON: No.

23 JUDGE RUTH: Ms. Chase?

24 MS. CHASE: No, thank you.

25 JUDGE RUTH: Okay. Then that will conclude

1 the on-the-record portion of this conference. I will be  
2 available all day if you need to come up and talk to me.  
3 I'll be in the agenda room, but you can hunt me down.  
4 When you leave this room, someone needs to tell me or  
5 leave me a note on my door so that I can get it locked up.

6 Thank you very much.

7 WHEREUPON, the recorded portion of the  
8 conference was concluded.

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