



**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**IN THE MATTER OF A REQUEST FOR THE MODIFICATION
OF THE KANSAS CITY METROPOLITAN CALLING AREA
PLAN TO MAKE THE GREENWOOD EXCHANGE PART OF
THE MANDATORY MCA TIER 2**

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NANCY M. DIPPELL, Presiding,
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FOR: Staff of the Missouri Public
Service Commission.

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

2 JUDGE DIPPELL: This is Case No.
3 TO-2005-0144, in the matter of the request for
4 modification of the Kansas City metropolitan calling area
5 plan to make the Greenwood exchange part of the mandatory
6 MCA Tier 2. I am Nancy Dippell. I am the judge who has
7 been reassigned to this matter. Judge Ruth kindly handed
8 this one off to me.

9 And we came here today for a conference
10 regarding -- the purpose of the conference is supposed to
11 be to discuss the application and determine if any
12 modifications should be made. Is there anything -- well,
13 let's go ahead, I guess, and get entries of appearance.
14 We'll start with Staff.

15 MR. MEYER: Good morning. David Meyer on
16 behalf of the Staff of the Missouri Public Service
17 Commission. Our address is P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City,
18 Missouri 65102.

19 MS. MacDONALD: Good morning. Mimi
20 MacDonald appearing on behalf of Southwestern Bell
21 Telephone, LP, doing business as SBC Missouri. Our
22 address is One SBC Center, Room 3510, St. Louis, Missouri
23 63101.

24 JUDGE DIPPELL: Public Counsel?

25 MR. MICHEEL: Douglas E. Micheel and

1 Michael F. Dandino appearing on behalf of the Office of
2 the Public Counsel and the public, P.O. Box 2230,
3 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-2230.

4 JUDGE DIPPELL: I'm sorry, Mr. Dority.
5 I'll just note that while you're entering Mr. Dandino's
6 appearance, he's not presently in the room today.

7 Go ahead, Mr. Dority.

8 MR. DORITY: Good morning. Appearing on
9 behalf of CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC and Spectra
10 Communications Group, LLC, doing business as CenturyTel,
11 Larry E. Dority with the law firm of Fischer & Dority,
12 P.C. Our address is 101 Madison, Suite 400, Jefferson
13 City, Missouri 65101.

14 JUDGE DIPPELL: Thank you.

15 MR. ENGLAND: Thank you, Judge. Let the
16 record reflect the appearance of W.R. England of the law
17 firm of Brydon, Swearngen & England, P.C., appearing on
18 behalf of Lathrop Telephone Company and Cass County
19 Telephone Company. Our address is Post Office Box 456,
20 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102.

21 MS. CHASE: Good morning. Lisa Chase,
22 Andereck, Evans, Milne, Peace & Johnson, LLC, 700 East
23 Capitol, P.O. Box 1438, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101,
24 appearing on behalf of Mo-Kan Dial.

25 JUDGE DIPPELL: Okay. Are there any ..

1 pending motions or anything that I need to be made aware
2 of that I might have missed in my brief review?

3 Okay. I believe, as with the other similar
4 cases like this, I'm going to ask the Office of Public
5 Counsel to give an update in one week as to whether or not
6 they think there will be modifications to the application.

7 It was my understanding that the parties
8 had sort of agreed, maybe that is a little incorrect, that
9 we were going to try to follow maybe the procedure set out
10 in the proposed rule dealing with calling scopes. Is
11 that -- does anyone have any objection to trying to go
12 along those lines and trying out the new rule?

13 MR. MICHEEL: It's my understanding that's
14 what we're attempting to do in these proceedings.

15 JUDGE DIPPELL: Okay. So according to
16 that, then, if Office of Public Counsel should file any
17 modifications, then there would be a ten-day response time
18 that other parties can make responses, and then within 90
19 days after that there would be illustrative tariff sheets
20 filed. So we'll try to go along with that. If we run
21 into problems, you can let me know.

22 And then there's also provision in the rule
23 for possible public hearings and so forth, and so I'd want
24 to know as soon as we could when we could possibly
25 schedule those and where they need to be and so forth. I

1 would expect Office of Public Counsel to let us know about
2 that, and the companies as well if they have suggestions
3 or concerns about that.

4 So I'll go ahead and issue a notice
5 directing Public Counsel to file something in a week
6 stating whether or not they believe there'll be further
7 modifications.

8 Is there anything else? I believe that's
9 all I had. Seeing no further business, I appreciate you
10 all coming and I'll leave you to your talks. We can go
11 off the record.

12 WHEREUPON, the recorded portion of the
13 conference was concluded.
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