

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

Staff of the Public Service Commission)	
Of the State of Missouri,)	
)	
Complainant,)	
)	
v.)	Case No. TC-2005-0357
)	
Cass County Telephone Company)	
Limited Partnership)	
)	
Respondent.)	

SECOND JOINT STATUS REPORT

COMES NOW Complainant Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) and Respondent Cass County Telephone Company Limited Partnership (CassTel) by and through the undersigned counsel, and state the following to the Commission:

1. On or about September 23, 2005, Staff and CassTel filed a Joint Motion for Suspension of Procedural Schedule and Motion for Expedited Treatment (the Joint Motion) in the referenced matter. In the context of that filing, it was stated that “Staff will file status reports every thirty (30) days during the suspension period, informing the Commission on the Parties’ progress towards settlement.” (Joint Motion, Paragraph 7).

2. By Order dated September 26, 2005, the Commission suspended proceedings in this case in accordance with the Joint Motion.

3. On October 25, 2005, Staff and CassTel filed a Joint Status Report that described the progress and nature of the discussions concerning settlement, sale of CassTel to a third party and a restatement of CassTel’s books and records.

4. The discussions between Staff and CassTel about these and other matters are continuing. The few remaining significant issues have been identified and progress continues to be made on all issues that must be resolved prior to settlement. It is expected the prospects for a comprehensive settlement will be known no later than December 31, 2005, and possibly sooner.

5. Staff and CassTel will continue to keep the Commission advised regarding the status of their discussions consistent with the commitment made in the Joint Motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, or transmitted by facsimile or electronic mail to all counsel of record this 23rd day of November, 2005.

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