

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Joint Application of Comtel Telecom)
Assets LP and VarTec Telecom, Inc., Excel) **Case No. TM-2006-0186**
Telecommunications, Inc., and VarTec Solutions,)
Inc., for Approval of a Transfer of Assets)

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

Issue Date: February 27, 2006

Effective Date: February 27, 2006

By order issued February 3, 2006, the Commission approved the Joint Applicants' Application for Approval of a Transfer of Assets. In that order, the Commission directed the Applicants to send a notice to all subscribers as required by 4 CSR 240-33.150(4) which provides at subparagraph (B): "A telecommunications carrier will notify all subscribers of such change through a notice in each subscriber's bill at least thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of the change."

On February 24, 2006, the Joint Applicants filed a Motion for Modification or Clarification of the Commission's February 3 order requesting, in effect, a variance from the above rule. Joint Applicants also request expeditious treatment. The Commission will order the Staff of the Commission to respond to the Joint Applicants' Motion and file a recommendation regarding variance from rule 4 CSR 240-33.150(4).

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The Staff of the Commission shall file a response by March 2, 2006, at 12:00 noon, to the Joint Applicants' Motion for Modification or Clarification and its recommendation regarding variance from Commission rule 4 CSR 240-33.150(4)(B).
2. This order shall become effective on February 27, 2006.

BY THE COMMISSION



Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

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Steven C. Reed, Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 27th day of February, 2006.