

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

In the Matter of Qwest Communications)	<u>Case No. TN-2009-0168</u>
Corporation's Tariff Filing Reflecting Its)	Tariff File Nos.: JX-2009-0322
Change of Corporate Name to Qwest)	JC-2009-0323
Communications Company, LLC.)	JX-2009-0324

STAFF'S STATUS REPORT

COMES NOW the Staff ("Staff") of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") and respectfully states as follows:

1. On November 4, 2008, Qwest Communications Corporation ("Qwest") filed a letter notifying the Commission of a change in its name to Qwest Communications Company, LLC. Included with the filing were proposed tariff sheets bearing an effective date of January 2, 2009, which were designed to reflect the new name in each of the above-captioned tariff files. On December 8, 2008, Qwest filed letters extending the effective date of the tariff sheets to January 30, 2009.

2. On November 7, 2008, the Commission issued an Order directing the Staff to file its recommendation concerning this matter, or a status report stating when it expects to file its recommendation, no later than December 8, 2008.

3. The Commission's rule governing name changes (4 CSR 240-2.060(5)) requires, among other things, that the company's request be accompanied by evidence of registration with the Missouri Secretary of State. As explained in Quest's November 4 letter, Qwest will be unable to obtain such evidence until after it receives a certificate of formation or good standing from the Delaware Secretary of State, a process which it expects to complete by about January 2,

2009. Qwest estimates that the required certification from the Missouri Secretary of State should be available to file with the Commission within 14 days after that date.

4. Until Qwest is able to produce its certificate of authority from the Missouri Secretary of State, the Staff cannot recommend that the Commission issue an order acknowledging the requested name change. Due to the uncertainty as to when Qwest will be able to file the required documentation with the Commission, the Staff's estimate of the date by which the Staff will make its filing must be based on Qwest's anticipated time line. Assuming, then, that Qwest is able to make the required filing with the Commission by January 16, 2009, the Staff expects to be able to file its recommendation on or before January 21, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

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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 8th day of December 2008.

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