OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Application of Grand River Mutual Telephone)
Corporation for Approval of an Interconnection) <u>Case No. TK-2009-0021</u>
and Reciprocal Compensation Agreement)
under the Telecommunications Act of 1996)

ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE AND MAKING NORTHWEST MISSOURI CELLULAR LIMITED PARTNERSHIP A PARTY

Issue Date: July 18, 2008 Effective Date: July 18, 2008

This order provides notice of this application to interested parties and joins the other party to the interconnection and reciprocal compensation agreement, Northwest Missouri Cellular Limited Partnership, as a party to this proceeding.

On July 9, 2008, Grand River Mutual Telephone Corporation filed an application with the Commission for approval of an interconnection and reciprocal compensation agreement with NWMC under the provisions of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. Grand River states that there are no unresolved issues and that the agreement complies with Section 252(e) of the Act in that it is not discriminatory to nonparty carriers and is consistent with the public interest. Grand River requests expeditious approval of the agreement.

Although NWMC is a party to the agreement, it did not join in the application. Because NWMC is a necessary party to a full and fair adjudication of this matter, the Commission will add it as a party to this case.

The Act provides that an interconnection or resale agreement must be approved unless the state commission finds that the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement, or that implementation of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity. Section 252(e)(4) of the Act provides that if the Commission has not approved an agreement within 90 days after submission, the agreement shall be deemed approved. Therefore, the Commission will proceed with this case expeditiously. The Commission finds that proper persons shall be allowed 20 days from the issuance of this order to file a motion for hearing. The Commission also finds that notice of this application shall be sent to all interexchange and local exchange telecommunications companies.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Commission's Data Center shall send notice to all interexchange and local exchange telecommunications companies.
- 2. Northwest Missouri Cellular Limited Partnership is made a party to this case.
- 3. Any party wishing to request a hearing shall do so by filing a pleading no later than August 7, 2008, with:

Colleen M. Dale, Secretary Missouri Public Service Commission Post Office Box 360 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

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¹ 47 U.S.C. § 252(e).

and send copies to:

Brian T. McCartney Brydon, Swearengen & England, P.C. 312 East Capitol Avenue, P.O. Box 456 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

Roger Bundridge Northwest Missouri Cellular Limited Partnership 1114-A South Main Maryville, Missouri 64468

and:

Office of the Public Counsel Post Office Box 2230 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

- 4. The Staff of the Commission shall file a memorandum advising either approval or rejection of this agreement and giving the reasons therefor no later than August 18, 2008.
 - 5. This order shall become effective on July 18, 2008.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

(SEAL)

Colleen M. Dale, Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 18th day of July, 2008.