

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

In the Matter of the Application of Socket	)	
Telecom, L.L.C., and CenturyTel of	)	
Missouri, L.L.C., for Approval of an	)	
Amendment to their Interconnection	)	
Agreement, and of Socket Telecom,	)	
L.L.C., and Spectra Communications	)	Case No. TK-2006-0175, et al.
Group, L.L.C., for Approval of an	)	
Amendment to their Interconnection	)	
Agreement, Pursuant to § 252(e) of the	)	
Telecommunications Act of 1996.	)	

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) and states:

1. On October 18, 2005, Socket Telecom, L.L.C. jointly filed with CenturyTel of Missouri, L.L.C. and Spectra Communications Group, L.L.C. to amend the interconnection agreements between Socket and CenturyTel and between Socket and Spectra.

2. The Commission's authority to approve or reject the Interconnection Agreement is pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

3. In the attached Memorandum, which is labeled Appendix A, the Staff recommends that the Commission approve the Interconnection Agreement. The Staff concludes that the Interconnection Agreement does not discriminate against telecommunications carriers not a party to the Agreement and the Agreement is not against the public interest, convenience or necessity.

WHEREFORE, the Staff recommends approval of the Interconnection Agreement.

Respectfully submitted,

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**/s/ Marc Poston**

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**/s/ Marc Poston**

**To:** Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File

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**Date:** November 07, 2005

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General Counsel's Office/Date

**Subject:** Staff Recommendation for Approval of Interconnection Agreement

**Date Filed:** October 18, 2005

**Staff Deadline:**

November 08, 2005
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Party: **CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC** (CenturyTel Mo)

Type of Certification: ☐ None  
☐ Basic Local  
☐ Local (Restricted to Private Line)  
☒ Local (No Restrictions)  
☐ Interexchange

Party: **Socket Telecom, LLC** (Socket)

Type of Certification: ☐ None  
☒ Basic Local  
☒ Local (Restricted to Private Line)  
☐ Local (No Restrictions)  
☒ Interexchange

The Telecommunications Department Staff (Staff) recommends the Parties be granted approval of the submitted (may check more than one):

☐ Resale Agreement

☐ Facilities-based Interconnection Agreement

☒ Interconnection Agreement Amendment addressing traffic of Socket-assigned telephone numbers (VNXX), Local Number Porting (LNP), network interconnection, and reciprocal compensation.

The parties submitted the proposed Agreement to the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) pursuant to the terms of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Act). Staff has reviewed the proposed Agreement and believes it meets the limited requirements of the Act. Specifically, the Agreement:

- 1) Does not discriminate against telecommunications carriers not party to the Agreement and
- 2) Is not against the public interest, convenience or necessity.

Staff recommends the Commission direct the Parties to submit any modifications or amendments to the Commission for approval.

**Interconnection Agreement Review Items**

☒ No applications to intervene have been filed.

Intervention

Deadline: 

October 25, 2005
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☒ The Agreement has been signed by both Parties.

☐ Staff does not have a serially numbered copy of the Agreement and recommends the Commission direct the Parties to submit a serially numbered copy of the Agreement.

☒ Staff has a serially numbered copy of the Agreement.

**Annual report & Assessment Information**

☒ The Parties are not delinquent in filing annual reports or paying the PSC assessments.

☐ The Company is delinquent. Staff recommends the Commission grant the requested relief/action on the condition the applicant corrects the delinquency. The applicant should be instructed to make the appropriate filing in this case after it has corrected the delinquency.

☐ No annual report.      ☐ Unpaid PSC assessment.      Amount owed:

☐ There is an attachment to this Appendix indicating additional recommendations or special considerations.