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Missouri Public  
Service Commission

Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts  
Missouri Public Service Commission  
P.O. Box 360  
Jefferson City, MO 65102

**Re: TM-2002-232**

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC ("CenturyTel"), please find an original and eight (8) copies of a Notice of Tariff Filing.

Would you please see that this filing is brought to the attention of the appropriate Commission personnel.

I thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

BRYDON, SWEARENGEN & ENGLAND P.C.

By:



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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the matter of the Joint Application of GTE )  
Midwest Incorporated d/b/a Verizon Midwest )  
and CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC for 1) )  
authority to transfer and acquire part of Verizon )  
Midwest's franchise, facilities or system located )  
in the State of Missouri; 2) for issuance of )  
certificates of service authority to CenturyTel )  
of Missouri, LLC ; 3) to designate CenturyTel )  
of Missouri, LLC as subject to regulation as a )  
price cap company; and (4) to designate )  
CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC as a )  
telecommunications carrier eligible to receive )  
federal universal service support. )

Case No. TM-2002-232

NOTICE OF TARIFF FILING

Comes now CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC, ("CenturyTel") and for its Notice of Tariff Filing states to the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") as follows:

1. On May 21, 2002, the Commission issued its Report and Order in which it approved the transfer of assets from GTE Midwest Incorporated d/b/a Verizon Midwest to CenturyTel. Ordered Paragraph 8 of that Order directed CenturyTel to file its tariff not less than 45 days prior to the closing of the authorized transaction. The tariff filed by CenturyTel was to adopt in all material respects the tariffs of Verizon on the closing date of the transaction. CenturyTel was also directed to file a pleading in this case advising the Commission that the tariffs have been filed.

2. Accordingly, CenturyTel files this Notice of Tariff Filing to notify the Commission that the tariffs were filed on July 15, 2000. These tariffs bear an issue date of July 18, 2002, which is forty-five days before the anticipated closing date of August 31, 2002, and an effective

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was hand-delivered or mailed, first-class U. S. postage prepaid, this ~~15<sup>th</sup>~~ day of July, 2002 to:

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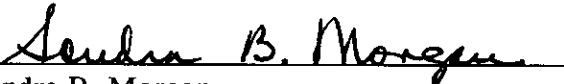
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