# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Proposed New Rule 4	)	
CSR 240-3.570 Regarding Eligible	)	
Telecommunications Carrier Designations	)	Case No. TX-2006-0169
for Receipt of Federal Universal Service	)	
Fund Support	)	

# FISCAL NOTE REVIEW MEMORANDUM

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

- 1. In the Memorandum attached as Appendix A, the Staff advises the Commission that the Staff conducted a review of the fiscal estimates from the rule adopted in this case and has determined that no fiscal estimate changes need to be filed with the Secretary of State.
- 2. The Commission's Order of Rulemaking adopting 4 CSR 240-3.570, Requirement for Carrier Designation as Eligible Telecommunications Carriers, was published in the May 15, 2006 *Missouri Register*. This rule became effective on June 30, 2006, 30 days after its publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.
- 3. Section 536.200.2 RSMo (2000) requires agencies to make a filing with the Secretary of State if, after the first full fiscal year after implementation, the cost of the rule exceeds the agency estimate. The first full fiscal year after the rules became effective was the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006 and ending June 30, 2007.

WHEREFORE, the Staff respectfully submits the attached Memorandum wherein the Staff states its conclusion that no fiscal estimate changes need to be filed with the Secretary of State.

Respectfully submitted,

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## MEMORANDUM

To: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File

Case No. TX-2006-0169

From: Natelle Dietrich

Telecommunications Department

John Van Eschen / July 23, 2007 /s/William K. Haas / July 23, 2007 Utility Operations Division/Date General Counsel's Office/Date

Subject: Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Rulemaking Fiscal Analysis Review

Date: July 20, 2007

The Secretary of State (SOS) published the Commission's Final Order of Rulemaking which proposed a new Commission rule, 4 CSR 240-3.570, and was the subject of Case No.TX-2006-0169. The rule established requirements for carriers seeking designation as eligible telecommunications carriers (ETC) and carriers designated as ETCs. The rule became effective June 30, 2006.

Section 536.200.2 RSMo 2000 requires agencies to make a filing with the SOS if, after the first full fiscal year after implementation, the cost of the rule has exceeded by ten percent or more the estimated cost in the fiscal note or has exceeded five hundred dollars if the proposed cost was estimated to be less than five hundred dollars. The Commission's General Procedure 1 (GP-1) requires a Staff investigation of the fiscal impact to begin thirty days prior to end of first full fiscal year. According to the GP, Staff is to prepare a memorandum within thirty days after the end of the first full fiscal year if costs are less than 10% or \$500, where appropriate. If costs are more than 10% or \$500, the General Counsel prepares a filing for action by the Regulatory Law Judge.

This memorandum advises the Commission that Staff has not discovered any information that would show the cost estimates associated with the rule were not accurate. Additionally, Staff has contacted the industry for input on the fiscal review. Staff has not received any information from any party potentially or actually affected by the implementation of this rule that would indicate the public or private cost estimates as published in the Missouri Register were not accurate.

Since the Staff's investigation indicates the published cost estimates related to the implementation of 4 CSR 240-3.570 have not been exceeded, no Missouri Register publication is required under Section 536.200.2.

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