

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

In the Matter of a Request for the Modification of the       )  
Springfield Metropolitan Calling Area Plan to Make the       )  
Ozark Exchange a Mandatory MCA Tier 1 Exchange.       )     **Case No. TO-2005-0143**

**ORDER DIRECTING FILING**

Issue Date: December 28, 2005

Effective Date: December 28, 2005

On December 8, 2005, the Office of the Public Counsel filed a Status Report regarding this case. In its report, Public Counsel states that it plans to contact county and city officials in the Ozark exchange and in Christian County, as well as state representatives from that area, concerning the level of public interest in seeking the Metropolitan Calling Area expansion. Public Counsel indicates that it will file another status report by January 14, 2006. The Commission finds that a mid-January deadline for filing a status report is appropriate; however, as January 14 is a Saturday, and the following Monday, January 16, is a state holiday, the Commission will extend the deadline until Tuesday, January 17.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That the Office of the Public Counsel shall file either its final recommendation in this matter or a status report no later than January 17, 2006.
2. That any party may file a response to the Office of the Public Counsel's final recommendation or status report no later than January 30, 2006.

3. That this order shall become effective on December 28, 2005.

**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale  
Secretary

( S E A L )

Vicky Ruth, Senior Regulatory Law Judge,  
by delegation of authority pursuant  
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 28th day of December, 2005.