

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

In the Matter of the Application of Mark     )  
Twain Communications Company for a     )  
Nunc Pro Tunc Order Specifying the     )  
Service Area of Mark Twain     )  
Communications and Redefining the     )  
Service Area of Spectra Communications     )  
for Purposes of Mark Twain's ETC     )  
Service Area and Federal Universal     )  
Service Support Pursuant to Section 254     )  
of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.     )

Case No. TO-2006-0100

**MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**  
**TO FILE STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

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

1. On August 31, 2005, Mark Twain Communications ("Mark Twain"), a competitive local exchange carrier ("CLEC"), filed an application requesting a nunc pro tunc order from the Commission concluding that the study area of Spectra Communications Group, LLC ("Spectra") should be redefined for purposes of Mark Twain's eligible telecommunications carrier ("ETC") designated service area. 47 U.S.C. 214(e)(5) and 47 C.F.R. 54.207. Mark Twain also seeks authority to file such order with the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC").

2. On September 2, 2005, the Commission issued its Order Directing Notice and Adding a Party ("Order"). The Commission's *Order* directed the Staff to file a memorandum advising either approval or rejection of the application no later than October 5, 2005. The *Order* also made Spectra a party to this case.

3. On September 16, 2005, Spectra requested an evidentiary hearing in its Motion for Hearing.

4. Mark Twain replied on September 19, 2005 and agreed that a procedural schedule should be established, and requested that the Commission schedule a prehearing conference for the purpose of establishing a procedural schedule.

5. Spectra filed its Concurrence in Setting Prehearing Conference on September 10, 2005, and stated that a prehearing conference would be the most efficient and beneficial approach since it would allow the parties to meet and discuss a possible settlement.

6. The Staff agrees that a prehearing conference should be scheduled to allow the parties an opportunity to discuss the issues and to attempt to reach a resolution.

7. The Staff requests an extension of time to file its Staff Recommendation. An extension would give the Staff an opportunity to meet with the parties and resolve or narrow the issues before the Staff submits a recommendation.

WHEREFORE, the Staff respectfully requests an extension of time to file its Staff Recommendation to a date following a prehearing conference of the parties.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October 2005.

**/s/ Marc Poston**

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