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16 In the Matter of a Request )  
17 for Expansion of the Kansas )  
18 City Metropolitan Calling Area ) Case No. TO-2005-0142  
19 Plan to Include Exchange of )  
20 Lexington as Part of Tier 5 )  
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22 VICKY RUTH, Presiding,  
23 SENIOR REGULATORY LAW JUDGE.  
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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 JUDGE RUTH: Good morning. My name is Vicky Ruth,  
3 and I am the Regulatory Law Judge who has been assigned to  
4 this case.

5 I will state, for the record, that it may be  
6 reassigned in the near future. But if that's the case, we'll  
7 issue a notice to that effect.

8 Today is Wednesday, April 13, 2005, and it is a few  
9 minutes after ten o'clock. We are here for a conference in  
10 TO-2005-0142, in the matter of a request for expansion of the  
11 Kansas City metropolitan calling area plan to include the  
12 exchange of Lexington as part of Tier 5.

13 This conference was scheduled to allow the parties  
14 to discuss the application, and determine if any modification  
15 should be made to it.

16 The parties are expected to also discuss how the  
17 proposal could be technically implemented in the most  
18 efficient manner, and consistent with any communities of  
19 interest.

20 The parties should also explore the issue of  
21 inter-carrier compensation.

22 Before we do entries of appearance, I'll note on  
23 the record that we have one party participating by  
24 speakerphone, and that is Brett Leopold of SBC Missouri.

25 Okay. We'll --

1 MR. DORITY: Sprint.

2 MR. DANDINO: Sprint.

3 JUDGE RUTH: I'm sorry. Sprint. Yes.

4 And for entries of appearance, I'm going to start  
5 on this side of the room with you, Mr. Dandino.

6 MR. DANDINO: Thank you, Your Honor.

7 Michael Dandino, Office of the Public Counsel, Post  
8 Office Box 2230, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102, representing  
9 the Office of Public Counsel and the Public.

10 JUDGE RUTH: Thank you.

11 Mr. Dority?

12 MR. DORITY: Thank you, Judge Ruth.

13 Appearing on behalf of Intervenor CenturyTel of  
14 Missouri, L.L.C. and Spectra Communications Group, L.L.C.,  
15 doing business as CenturyTel, Larry W. Dority, Fischer &  
16 Dority, P.C., 101 Madison, Suite 400, Jefferson City, Missouri  
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18 JUDGE RUTH: Thank you.

19 MS. MACDONALD: Mimi MacDonald, appearing on behalf  
20 of Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P., d/b/a SBC Missouri. Our  
21 address is One SBC Center, Room 3510, St. Louis, Missouri  
22 63101.

23 JUDGE RUTH: And who is at the table with you?

24 MS. MACDONALD: Jason Olson, who is in our  
25 regulatory group.

1 JUDGE RUTH: Okay. And Staff?

2 MR. MEYER: Good morning. David Meyer for the  
3 Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission. Our address  
4 is P. O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102.

5 JUDGE RUTH: Thank you.

6 Ms. Chase?

7 MS. CHASE: Lisa Chase of Andereck, Evans, Milne,  
8 Peace & Johnson, L.L.C., 700 East Capitol, P. O. Box 1438,  
9 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102, appearing on behalf of MoKan  
10 Dial, Inc.

11 JUDGE RUTH: Thank you.

12 And, Mr. England. I thought I saw -- yes.

13 MR. ENGLAND: Yeah. Thank you, Your Honor.

14 Let the record reflect the appearance of W. R.  
15 England, appearing on behalf of Citizens Telephone, Craw-Kan  
16 Telephone Cooperative, Cass County Telephone Company and  
17 Lathrop Telephone Company.

18 Our mailing address is Post Office Box 456,  
19 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102.

20 JUDGE RUTH: Thank you.

21 And on the speakerphone, Mr. Leopold.

22 MR. LEOPOLD: This is Brett Leopold for Sprint  
23 Communications Company, L.P. and Sprint Missouri, Inc. I'm at  
24 6450 Sprint Parkway, Overland Park, Kansas 66251.

25 JUDGE RUTH: Thank you.

1                   And I believe I've got everyone, but I'll ask. Is  
2   there anyone I missed?

3                   (NO RESPONSE.)

4                   JUDGE RUTH: I don't think so.

5                   Okay. Then I'll let the parties know that earlier  
6   this morning, the Commission issued an order granting all of  
7   the intervention requests, so you should be able to get a copy  
8   of that today.

9                   And I am going to ask Public Counsel if you will  
10   file a status update in one week. That would be Wednesday the  
11   20th --

12                  MR. DANDINO: All right.

13                  JUDGE RUTH: -- just letting the Commission know  
14   where the parties are at now. If you're going to be filing  
15   modifications, give me an anticipated date for that.

16                  As you remember from the Commission's proposed  
17   rules, a lot of dates will depend on that. So for the  
18   Commission to be able to plan, I want to know about when  
19   you're -- if you're going to be filing modifications, when it  
20   would be; if you're not filing modifications, then I'll need  
21   to know that, too.

22                  MR. DANDINO: Okay.

23                  JUDGE RUTH: And again, that's April 20th. And I  
24   will issue a notice to that effect probably tomorrow.

25                  Okay. Do the parties have any additional matters

1     that need to be discussed on the record?

2                     (NO RESPONSE.)

3             JUDGE RUTH: Start again over at Public Counsel.

4             MR. DANDINO: No, Your Honor.

5             JUDGE RUTH: Mr. Dority?

6             MR. DORITY: No, Judge.

7             MS. MACDONALD: No, Your Honor.

8             JUDGE RUTH: Staff?

9             MR. MEYER: No.

10            JUDGE RUTH: In the back?

11            MS. CHASE: No, Your Honor.

12            MR. ENGLAND: No, thank you.

13            JUDGE RUTH: Okay. Then that will conclude the

14     on-the-record portion.

15            You may stay in this room or work with Staff to

16     find another room. But the last one out this door needs to

17     turn off the light and lock the door and pull it closed.

18            I'll be in my office if you need me. Thank you

19     very much. And we are off the record.

20            WHEREUPON, the on-the-record portion of the

21     conference was concluded.

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