

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 5th day of June, 2013.

In the Matter of the Application of USCOC of Greater Missouri, LLC for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Pursuant to the Telecommunications Act of 1996)
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) **Case No. TO-2005-0384**
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ORDER APPROVING PARTIAL RELINQUISHMENT OF ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER DESIGNATION

Issue Date: June 5, 2013

Effective Date: June 12, 2013

In May 2007, the Commission designated USCOC of Greater Missouri, LLC, d/b/a U.S. Cellular as an eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) for receipt of federal high-cost support universal service funds. On May 17, 2013, U.S. Cellular filed a motion asking the Commission to allow it to relinquish its ETC designation for a portion of its authorized area.

U.S. Cellular's motion explains that on March 21, 2013, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) approved the assignment of certain properties held by U.S. Cellular to two subsidiaries of Sprint Nextel. The motion seeks to amend the scope of U.S. Cellular's ETC designation to exclude the service areas that will be transferred to Sprint. The motion specifically identifies the service areas for which U.S. Cellular intends to relinquish its ETC designation as well as those areas for which it will retain its ETC designation. U.S. Cellular asks the Commission to rule upon its motion by June 12, 2013, so that the planned relinquishment can roughly coincide with the property transfer to Sprint

In response to U.S. Cellular's motion, the Commission directed that notice of the motion be provided to all incumbent and competitive local exchange carriers certificated to provide service in Missouri. The Commission established May 29, 2013 as a deadline for the filing of applications to intervene. No party has applied to intervene.

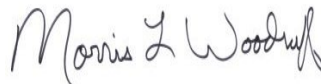
The Commission also ordered its Staff to file a recommendation by May 30, 2013, and allowed other parties until that date to file a recommendation. Staff filed its recommendation on May 30, advising the Commission to approve U.S. Cellular's motion. No other party filed a recommendation.

Having reviewed U.S. Cellular's motion and Staff's recommendation, the Commission concludes it should grant the motion. As requested by U.S. Cellular, the Commission will make this order effective on June 12, 2013.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. USCOC of Greater Missouri, LLC, d/b/a U.S. Cellular's Motion to Partially Relinquish its Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier is granted.
2. This order shall become effective on June 12, 2013.
3. This file shall be closed on June 13, 2013.

BY THE COMMISSION



Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

R. Kenney, Chm., Jarrett, Stoll, and
W. Kenney, CC., concur.

Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge