

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

In the Matter of the Revised Tariff Filing )	
of Birch Telecom of Missouri, Inc. to )	Case No. CT-2005-0402
Increase the Rates of Certain of its )	Tariff No. YC-2005-0975
Services )	

**STAFF RESPONSE TO ORDER DIRECTING STAFF TO FILE AN  
EXPEDITED RECOMMENDATION**

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and for its response states:

1. On May 10, 2005, Birch Telecom of Missouri, Inc. filed a Motion for Expedited Treatment regarding a tariff that it filed along with its motion. On May 11, 2005, the Commission directed the Staff to file a recommendation regarding Birch's Motion for Expedited Treatment no later than 3:00 p.m. on May 11, 2005.

2. In the attached Memorandum, which is labeled Appendix A, the Staff recommends expedited treatment and approval.

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 11<sup>th</sup> day of May 2005.

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