

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

In The Matter of CenturyTel of Missouri,)
LLC's Request for Competitive) Case No. _____
Classification Pursuant to Section)
392.245.5, RSMo. (2005).)

**CENTURYTEL OF MISSOURI, LLC'S
MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER**

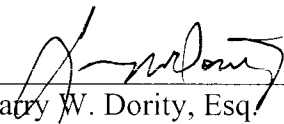
COMES NOW CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC ("CenturyTel"), pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.085(1) and (2), and respectfully requests that the Commission issue its standard form Protective Order herein to facilitate the proceedings in this case. In support of its Motion, CenturyTel respectfully states as follows:

1. In the accompanying pleading which initiates this case, CenturyTel's Application for Competitive Classification, CenturyTel is submitting HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL Exhibit C which contains materials relating directly to specific customers and other market-specific information relating to services offered in competition with others. In addition, pursuant to Section 392.245.5(6), CenturyTel has requested the Commission to consider its own records concerning ownership of facilities and to make all inquiries as are necessary and appropriate from regulated providers of local voice service to determine the extent and presence of regulated local voice providers in an exchange. The presentation and acquisition of such information is needed by the Commission for its deliberations in this case. Such information includes data relating to specific retail or wholesale customers and other market-specific information relating to services offered in competition with others.

2. A Protective Order is needed because the information cannot be found in any format in any public document and its public disclosure would harm CenturyTel and other companies' respective business interests.

WHEREFORE, CenturyTel respectfully requests the Commission to issue its standard form Protective Order in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,



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The undersigned hereby certifies that on this 1st day of February, 2006, a copy of the above and foregoing document was served via electronic mail, facsimile or U.S. Mail, postage prepaid to each of the following:

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