

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

In the Matter of Alma Communications	)	
Company, doing business as Alma	)	
Telephone Company, for Authority and	)	
Approval to Issue a Note, Loan	)	
Agreement, Mortgage, Security	)	
Agreement, and Financing Statement to	)	Case No. TU-2005-0358
Borrow Funds from the Rural Utility	)	
Services of the United States of America,	)	
for Interim Financing, and for Section	)	
392.280.2, RSMo (HB 360) Accounting	)	
Authority Orders.	)	

**MOTION FOR EXTENSION TO FILE STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) and respectfully submits the following proposed procedural schedule:

1. On April 8, 2005, Alma Communications Company d/b/a Alma Telephone Company (Alma) filed an Application with the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) seeking authority to borrow funds and to pledge its system assets as security for the loan.

2. On April 12, 2005, the Commission issued its Order Adopting Protective Order and Directing Filing. In this Order, the Commission directed Staff to file its Memorandum and Recommendation by 4 p.m. on May 13, 2005.

3. Staff is in the process of drafting its Memorandum and Recommendation and has consulted with Alma and the Office of the Public Counsel (Public Counsel) regarding the Memorandum and Recommendation. The Staff and Alma are discussing the de-classification of certain information which Alma has classified as Highly Confidential. The Staff's goal in the

discussion is provide as much of its recommendation in a public version as feasible. Staff requests an extension of time to file its Memorandum and Recommendation until May 18, 2005 at noon. Neither Alma nor Public Counsel objects to this request.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully requests an extension of time until May 18, 2005 at noon to file Staff's Memorandum and Recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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