BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Third Application of Missouri RSA No. 7) Limited Partnership, d/b/a Mid-Missouri Cellular, for Designation as a Telecommunications Company Carrier Eligible for Federal Universal Service Support Pursuant to Section 254 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

Case No. TO-2005-0325

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ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

On March 25, 2003, Missouri RSA No. 7, d/b/a Mid-Missouri Cellular, filed its application for designation as a telecommunications company carrier eligible for federal universal service support pursuant to Section 254 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. On the same date, Mid-Missouri Cellular filed a Motion for Protective Order, requesting proprietary and/or highly confidential treatment of certain portions of its application, prepared testimony, and appendices. In support of its motion, Mid-Missouri Cellular states that disclosure of certain information could adversely affect its business strategy; that the designated material may include sensitive financial information and proprietary network information; and that none of the information for which a claim of confidentiality is made can be found in any format in any other public documents. Mid-Missouri Cellular believes that disclosure of the designated material would cause it substantial harm, and that the potential harm to it outweighs the public's interest in open access to such information. Mid-Missouri Cellular therefore requests that the Commission adopt its standard protective order for this case.

Upon review of the company's motion, the Commission finds that there is a need to protect confidential information and the request for a protective order is reasonable. The Commission has previously recognized the need to protect confidential information, and the issuance of protective orders has helped to minimize disputes in past cases. Therefore, the Commission concludes that a protective order should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Motion for Protective Order filed on March 25, 2005, by Missouri RSA No. 7, d/b/a Mid-Missouri Cellular, is granted and the protective order attached to this order (Attachment A) is adopted.

2. That this order shall become effective on April 5, 2005.

BY THE COMMISSION

Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Vicky Ruth, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 5th day of April, 2005.