

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Petition of Chariton Valley)
Telephone Corp. for Arbitration of Unresolved Issues)
Pertaining to a Section 251(b)(5) Agreement with)
United States Cellular Corporation)
Case No. TO-2005-0374

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ARBITRATION

On April 20, 2005, Chariton Valley Telephone Corporation filed its petition for arbitration with the Commission pursuant to the Telecommunications Act of 1996.¹ The petition asks the Commission to arbitrate its unresolved issues with United States Cellular Corporation.

The Commission finds that U.S. Cellular shall be made a party to the instant action as it is a necessary and indispensable party to the agreement. The Commission concludes that the Data Center shall provide notice of this petition to U.S. Cellular, and that U.S. Cellular shall be permitted to file a response to the petition and any additional information it wishes.

The Commission will further issue its standard protective order. The Commission finds that there is a need to protect confidential information. The

¹ In a separate order, the Commission consolidated five other arbitration petitions against U.S. Cellular into this case.

Commission has previously recognized the need to protect confidential information, and protective orders have helped minimize disputes in past cases. Therefore, the Commission concludes that it should grant a protective order.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Data Center of the Missouri Public Service Commission is ordered to serve notice of this petition upon United States Cellular Corporation.
2. That United States Cellular Corporation shall be made a party in the instant action.
3. That United States Cellular Corporation shall file a response and any other information regarding this petition on or before May 16, 2005, with the Secretary of the Missouri Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102, and send a copy to Chariton Valley Telephone Corp.
4. That a Protective Order is granted, and the protective order attached to this order as Attachment A is adopted.
5. That this order shall become effective on April 22, 2005.

BY THE COMMISSION

(S E A L)

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

Ronald D. Pridgin, Regulatory Law
Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 22nd day of April, 2005.