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Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts Missouri Public Service Commission P.O. Box 360 Jefferson City, MO 65102 FILED<sup>3</sup>
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Re: Case No. TC-2002-349

Missouri Public Service Commission

Dear Mr. Roberts:

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Enclosed for filing, please find an original and eight (8) copies of a Report of Spectra Communications Group, LLC d/b/a CenturyTel.

Would you please see that this filing is brought to the attention of the appropriate Commission personnel.

Copies of this filing have been provided to all parties of record.

I thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

BRYDON, SWEARENGEN & ENGLAND P.C.

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# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI



Frances Langerud,	)	Service Commission
Complainant,	)	- Thission
·	)	Case No. TC-2002-349
V.	)	Case 140. 1C-2002-349
CenturyTel,	)	
Respondent.	)	

# REPORT OF SPECTRA COMMUNICATIONS GROUP, LLC d/b/a CENTURYTEL

Comes now Spectra Communications Group, LLC d/b/a CenturyTel ("CenturyTel") and for its Report to the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") states as follows:

- 1. On March 7, 2003, the Commission issued an Order Directing Filing in which it directed CenturyTel to file a response to the Staff Recommendation of December 16, 2002, no later than March 27, 2003. The Staff Recommendation had requested that CenturyTel be directed to provide a dollar amount for the difference between the customers identified as having been charged late fees in error and the customers to whom CenturyTel made refunds.
- 2. In its previous report to the Commission, CenturyTel stated that it had made refunds totaling \$322,042 to 68,937 customers. CenturyTel explained that the number of customers refunded was less than the number previously reported to the Commission because some customers included in the first number provided to the Commission were no longer receiving service and were no longer active in the billing system. The first number of customers provided to the Commission on September 30, 2002, was based on historical files and were historical

numbers. When CenturyTel began the actual refunding process, it discovered that many of these customers were no longer part of its system for various reasons and that locating these customers and determining if they were owed any refunds was not possible. Likewise, it is not possible to give the Commission an actual dollar amount for the difference in the number of customers between the original historical number and the actual number of customers that received refunds. CenturyTel is willing to work with the Commission Staff to arrive at some reasonable resolution of this matter, but at this time cannot provide a dollar amount in response to Staff's recommendation.

Wherefore, CenturyTel respectfully requests that the Commission accept its Report in response to the Order Directing Filing.

Respectfully submitted,

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was sent by U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, or hand-delivered on this 27th day of March, 2003, to the following parties:

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