

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

In the Matter of a Repository Docket in which to)
Gather Information and Assess the Availability of) **File No. TW-2010-0**
Broadband Services in the State of Missouri)

MOTION TO OPEN A REPOSITORY DOCKET

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and moves the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) to open a repository docket in which to gather information and assess the availability of broadband services in the State of Missouri and states as follows:

1. On May 13, 2010, the Commission received a letter from State Senator Brad Lager on behalf of the State Senate's Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, Energy and the Environment, which is attached hereto as Attachment A. The letter asks that the Commission make a report and submit recommendations to the Committee on or before December 1, 2011.
2. The Staff requests the Commission direct interested stakeholders to provide written input on how best to address the various items outlined in Attachment A.
3. The Staff plans to invite potential stakeholders to a conference August 25 and 26 to receive input from those stakeholders about how to proceed.
4. If the Commission grants this Motion, the Staff would welcome any instruction or guidance the Commission may wish to impart to the Staff about this matter in the Order establishing the requested docket.

WHEREFORE, the Staff respectfully moves the Commission to open a repository docket in which to gather information and assess the availability of broadband services in the State of Missouri.

Respectfully submitted,



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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 11th day of June, 2010.

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Dear Commissioners,

As the members of the Missouri State Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, Energy and the Environment, we acknowledge the need for a responsible public policy that facilitates accessible and reliable broadband services throughout our state. Therefore, we are respectfully requesting that the Public Service Commission engage in a fact finding process that will end with a report and recommendations to the General Assembly no later than December 1, 2011. Specifically, we ask that your process and report include the following:

1. A review of the Federal Communications Commission's National Broadband Plan and recommendations to the General Assembly on how to maximize broadband development in Missouri.
2. Solicitation of input from the public and all providers of broadband services regardless of technology.
3. An assessment of the current level of high-speed internet access available in Missouri, and the speeds and rates at which such access is available. This assessment shall include speeds advertised as available versus the speeds that are actually achievable by consumers.
4. An identification of unserved and underserved areas in our state and the barriers to deployment in these areas including economic, geographic, regulatory, and market barriers. For purposes of this request, "unserved" shall mean an area where a consumer's only access to internet service is through a dial-up connection and "underserved" shall mean an area where a consumer's only access to high-speed internet service is at a speed less than three megabits per second.

5. Recommendations and potential public policy decisions that should be considered to increase the deployment and availability of broadband services in both unserved and underserved areas, within a period of five years, at various speeds and rates that are affordable to Missouri's consumers.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please feel free to contact any of the members of the committee.


Sincerely,



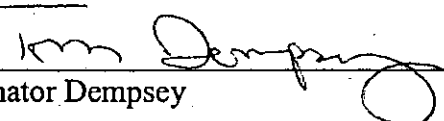
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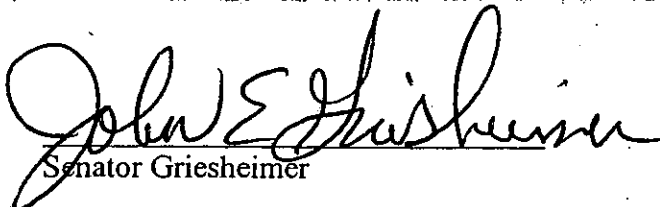
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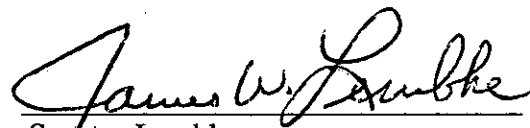


Senator Lager, Chairman

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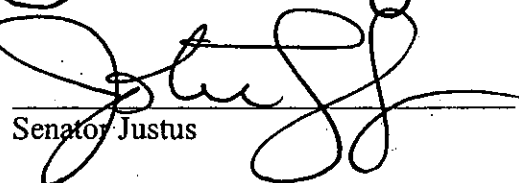
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