## OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Ozark Telephone	)	
Company, Seneca Telephone Company, and	)	
Goodman Telephone Company for Approval of	)	Case No. TO-2006-0222
Wireless Traffic Termination Agreements under the	)	
Telecommunications Act of 1996.	ĺ	

## ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE AND MAKING UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPORATION A PARTY

Issue Date: November 23, 2005 Effective Date: November 23, 2005

This order provides notice of this application to interested parties and joins the other party to the interconnection agreements, United States Cellular Corporation, as a party to this proceeding.

On November 22, 2005, Ozark Telephone Company, Seneca Telephone Company, and Goodman Telephone Company filed an application with the Commission for approval of their interconnection agreements with US Cellular under the provisions of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. Applicants state that there are no unresolved issues and that the agreements comply with Section 252(e) of the Act in that they are not discriminatory to nonparty carriers and are consistent with the public interest. Applicants request expeditious approval of the agreements.

Although US Cellular is a party to the agreements, it did not join in the application. Because US Cellular is a necessary party to a full and fair adjudication of this matter, the Commission will add this company as a party to this case.

The Act provides that an interconnection or resale agreement must be approved unless the state commission finds that the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement, or that implementation of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity. Section 252(e)(4) of the Act provides that if the Commission has not approved an agreement within 90 days after submission, the agreement shall be deemed approved. Therefore, the Commission will proceed with this case expeditiously. The Commission finds that proper persons shall be allowed 20 days from the issuance of this order to file a motion for hearing. The Commission also finds that notice of this application shall be sent to all interexchange and local exchange telecommunications companies.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- That the Commission's Data Center shall send notice to all interexchange and local exchange telecommunications companies.
  - 2. That United States Cellular Corporation is made a party to this case.
- 3. That any party wishing to request a hearing shall do so by filing a pleading no later than December 13, 2005, with:

Colleen M. Dale, Secretary Missouri Public Service Commission Post Office Box 360 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

and send copies to:

Brian T. McCartney Brydon, Swearengen & England P.C. 312 East Capitol Avenue Post Office Box 456 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-0456

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 47 U.S.C. § 252(e).

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and:

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- 4. That the Staff of the Commission shall file a memorandum advising either approval or rejection of this agreement and giving the reasons therefor no later than December 23, 2005.
  - 5. That this order shall become effective on November 23, 2005.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

(SEAL)

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

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 23rd day of November, 2005.