BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Christiane Rossetti)
Complainant,)
v.	Case No. IC-2007-0274
CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC)
Respondent.)

CENTURYTEL OF MISSOURI, LLC'S RESPONSE TO STAFF REPORT

COMES NOW CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC ("CenturyTel" or "Respondent"), pursuant to the Commission's Order Granting Extension of Time and Setting Time for Responses entered in this matter on February 26, 2007, and for its Response to Staff's Report and the recommendations contained therein respectfully states as follows:

- 1. In an effort to more quickly resolve Ms. Rossetti's complaint and in light of the position Staff has asserted in its Report, filed on March 14, 2007, CenturyTel agrees to honor Ms. Rossetti's request for telephone service, subject to any deposit required by CenturyTel's tariff and authorized by Commission rule 4 CSR 240-33.050.
- 2. Regardless of the decision to provision service to Ms. Rossetti, CenturyTel asserts that it has not violated 4 CSR 240-33.010(3) by failing to state with infinite specificity how it will perform every function of initiating service with a potential customer. As Staff concedes in its report, CenturyTel cannot perform a credit check of a new customer without certain types of identification. Logic would dictate then, that CenturyTel can ask for the necessary identification to perform this function.

- 3. Noting that Staff could not find any statute or rule that bars CenturyTel from requesting two forms of identification, and desiring to be resolved of this issue, CenturyTel shall file subsequent to this response, new tariffs that detail the identification requirements necessary to check commercial credit services in order to establish a credit risk assessment for each customer.
- 4. Upon provisioning service to Ms. Christiane Rossetti, and providing adequate evidence of such, CenturyTel would request that this complaint be dismissed.

WHEREFORE, CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC respectfully submits its Response to the Staff Report previously filed in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document has been hand-delivered, transmitted by e-mail or mailed, First Class, postage prepaid, to the following parties this 26th day of March, 2007:

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