BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of the Application of Mark Twain Communications Company for a Nunc Pro Tunc Order Specifying the Service Area of Mark Twain Communications and Redefining the Service Area of Spectra Communications for Purposes of Mark Twain's ETC Service Area and Federal Universal Service Support Pursuant to Section 254 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

Case No. TO-2006-0100

ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE AND ADDING A PARTY

Issue Date: September 2, 2005

Effective Date: September 2, 2005

On August 31, 2005, Mark Twain Communications Company filed its Application for a Nunc Pro Tunc Order Specifying the Service Area of Mark Twain Communications and Redefining the Service Area of Spectra Communications for Purposes of Mark Twain's ETC Service Area and Federal Universal Service Support Pursuant to Section 254 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Mark Twain states that the requested relief is necessary because the Commission's order of June 15, 2000, in Case No. TA-2000-591, in which Mark Twain was granted ETC status, failed to specify the service area for which that status was granted. As a result, Mark Twain states, the USAC has refused to make high-cost loop support payments to Mark Twain for two of its three exchanges since July 2003.

The relief requested by Mark Twain includes a prayer that the Commission "redefine Spectra's study area for purposes of Mark Twain's ETC designated service area." It appears, therefore, that Spectra Communications Group, LLC ("Spectra"), is a necessary party to this proceeding. Because Spectra is a necessary party to a full and fair adjudication of this matter, the Commission will add Spectra as a party to this case.

The Commission finds that proper persons should be allowed 30 days from the issuance of this order to file a motion for hearing or an application for intervention.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That Spectra Communications Group, LLC, doing business as CenturyTel,

is made a party to this case. The Commission's Data Center shall serve a copy of this order on Spectra Communications Group, LLC, doing business as CenturyTel.

2. That the Commission's Data Center shall serve a copy of this order upon all

interexchange and local exchange telecommunications companies certificated to operate in Missouri.

3. That any party wishing to request a hearing or to apply for intervention in

this matter shall file an application no later than October 3, 2005, with:

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

and send copies to:

Craig S. Johnson Attorney at Law 1648-A East Elm Street Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

James M. Fischer Larry W. Dority Fischer & Dority, P.C. 101 Madison, Suite 400 Jefferson City, MO 65101 and:

Office of the Public Counsel Post Office Box 2230 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

4. That the Staff of the Commission shall file a memorandum advising either

approval or rejection of this application and giving the reasons therefor no later than

October 5, 2005.

5. That this order shall become effective on September 2, 2005.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

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Kevin A. Thompson, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 2nd day of September, 2005.