STATE OF Jannessee)
COUNTY OF Knoy)

AFFIDAVIT OF LINDA LOWRANCE

Before me, the Undersigned Authority, on this <u>22</u>ND day of May, 2006, personally appeared Linda Lowrance, Manager-Interconnection of Orchard Farm Telephone Company, who, upon being by me duly sworn on oath deposed and said the following:

- 1. My name is Linda Lowrance. I am over the age of twenty-one, of sound mind and competent to testify to the matters stated herein. I am the Manager-Interconnection of Orchard Farm Telephone Company ("Orchard Farm") and have personal knowledge of the Agreement between Orchard Farm and Charter. I have reviewed the agreement on behalf of Orchard Farm and have personal knowledge of the provisions. The parties have negotiated diligently under the Telecommunications Act of 1996, culminating in this executed agreement ("the Agreement").
- 2. The Agreement is the result of negotiation and compromise.
- 3. There are no outstanding issues between the parties that need the assistance of mediation or arbitration if this Agreement is approved.

- 4. Approval of this Agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity, as it will allow the exchange of traffic between Orchard Farm and Charter.
- 5. This Agreement does not discriminate against any telecommunications carrier. The terms of this Agreement are available to any similarly situated provider in negotiating a similar agreement.
- 6. Orchard Farm is a Missouri corporation in good standing with the Missouri Secretary of State.
- 7. Orchard Farm is not aware of any pending action or final unsatisfied judgments or decisions against it from any state or federal agency or court which involve customer service or rates.
- 8. Orchard Farm's annual reports and assessment fees are not overdue.

Further Affiant sayeth naught.

Linda Lowrance '

Manager-Interconnection

Orchard Farm Telephone Company

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 22^{mg} day of May, 2006 to certify which witness my hand and seal of office.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires June 7, 2008