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Re: Freedom of Information Act Request

April 26, 2004

Dear Mr. Joyce:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act.

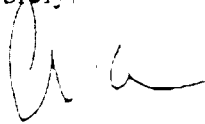
I request that a copy of exhibits No. 1 and No. 2, submitted Apr. 19, 2004, in the docket IR-2004-0354, be provided to me. Both of the exhibits, submitted by Cass County Telephone Co. ("CassTel"), have been deemed "highly confidential."

In order to help to determine my status to assess fees, you should know that I am a representative of the news media affiliated with *The Kansas City Business Journal* and this request is made as part of news gathering and not for a commercial use.

I request a waiver of all fees for this request. Disclosure of the requested information to me is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations or activities of a regulated utility and is not primarily in my commercial interest. The documents I request relate to CassTel's ties to several federally indicted parties. Those parties are believed to have executed the largest consumer fraud in U.S. history, according to the Federal Bureau of Investigation. In this matter of great public interest, there is only one reason why CassTel entered its exhibits under confidentiality: to keep those ties out of the public eye. If one of the confidential documents is a list of 46 investors, it is difficult to see how that fits under the standard of proprietary or competitive information. It would be in the public interest to see whether a regulated phone company was being controlled, as the federal indictment states, to aide in a criminal enterprise.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



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