BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Tariff of Sage Telecom, Inc. To Establish a Public Switched Network Recovery Charge

) Case No. CT-2006-0370) Tariff No. JC-2006-0716

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC COUNSEL'S OBJECTION TO THE JOINT RECOMMENDATION

On April 18, 2006, Sage and the Staff filed a joint recommendation that the Public Service Commission permit Sage's proposed tariff revisions become effective May 1, 2006, upon Sage's agreement to revise its customer invoice format to relocate the Public Switched Network Recovery Charge to resolve Staff's concern about the tariff. The Office of Public Counsel objects to this joint recommendation.

PSC Rule 4 CSR 240-2.115 (2) relates to Nonunanimous Stipulations and Agreements. While not denominated as a Nonunanimous Stipulation and Agreement, it appears that the joint recommendation may be taken as such a pleading since it is an agreement which is entered into by fewer than all of the parties. Section 2.115 (2) (B) gives each party seven days from the filing to file an objection to the nonunanimous stipulation and agreement and provides that the failure to file a timely objection shall constitute a full waiver of that party's right to a hearing. If no party timely objects, the commission may treat it as a unanimous stipulation and agreement.

In abundance of caution, Public Counsel objects and requests an evidentiary hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to the following this 20th day of. April, 2006.

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