BEFORE THE MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

| Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P., d/b/a SBC Missouri's |) | |
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| Petition for Compulsory Arbitration of Unresolved Issues |) | Case No. TO-2005-0336 |
| for a Successor Interconnection Agreement to the |) | |
| Missouri 271 Agreement ("M2A") |) | |

PETITION FOR LEAVE TO ENTER APPEARANCE

COMES NOW Bill Magness of Casey, Gentz & Magness, LLP, and pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.040(c) herewith files his Petition for Leave to Enter Appearance on behalf of Big River Telephone Company, LLC (Big River), Birch Telecom of Missouri, Inc. (Birch), ionex Communications, Inc. (ionex), NuVox Communications of Missouri, Inc. (NuVox), Socket Telecom, LLC (Socket), XO Communications Services, Inc. (XO) and Xspedius Communications, LLC (Xspedius) (collectively "CLEC Coalition"), in connection with the above-styled proceeding. With respect to his entry Mr. Magness hereby advises the Commission that he is a member in good standing of the Bar of Texas and that neither he nor any member of the Casey, Gentz & Magness, LLP firm is disqualified to appear in the courts of Texas. Further, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit A is a copy of the receipt issued by the Clerk of the Supreme Court acknowledging receipt of the \$100.00 fee required by Rule 6.01(m) for Mr. Magness to appear for the above-referenced parties in connection with this proceeding. Mr. Magness designates Carl J. Lumley, Leland B. Curtis, and Curtis, Heinz, Garrett & O'Keefe, P.C., to serve as his associate counsel, and by their signatures they accept such designation.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

A true and correct copy of the forgoing was e-mailed or mailed by U.S. Mail, postage paid this 29th day of April, 2005, to the persons listed on the attached service list.

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This will hereby acknowledge receipt of \$100 as required by Rule 6.01(m) from Bill Magness, appearing in Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P., d/b/a SBC Missouri's Petition for Compulsory Arbitration of Unresolved Issues for a Successor Interconnection Agreement to the Missouri 271 Agreement ("M2A"); Case No. TO-2005-0336 to be filed before the Missouri Public Service Commission.

Thomas F. Simon, Clerk