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Via Electronic Mail

Mr. Dale H. Roberts
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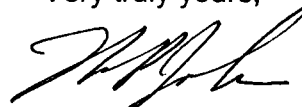
RE: Case No. CA-2004-0111

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Please find attached for filing with the Commission in the above-referenced case Applicant's Response to Order of October 30, 2003, and Motion for Waiver of Tariff-Filing Requirement.

Thank you for bringing this to the attention of the Commission.

Very truly yours,



Mark P. Johnson

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Attachment

cc: Office of the Public Counsel (via electronic mail)
Dana K. Joyce, General Counsel (via electronic mail)

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Application of)	
Rystec, Inc. for Expedited Expansion of)	
Certificate of Authority to Provide Non-Switched)	
Local Exchange Telecommunications Services)	Case No. CA-2004-0111
For Additional Authority to Provide Basic)	
Local Exchange Telecommunications Services.)	

**APPLICANT'S RESPONSE TO ORDER OF OCTOBER 30, 2003, AND MOTION FOR
WAIVER OF TARIFF-FILING REQUIREMENT**

Comes now Applicant Rystec, Inc. ("Rystec"), by its undersigned attorneys, and responds to the Commission's Order Directing Filing and moves the Commission for a waiver of the tariff-filing requirement, pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.060(4), stating the following:

1. On August 26, 2003, Rystec filed an Application to expand its Commission certification to include basic local exchange telecommunications. In its Order of October 30, the Commission noted that Rystec did not file a tariff with its Application, and directed the parties to address whether Rystec's existing tariff allowed for the provision of basic local exchange telecommunications service.

2. Under 4 CSR 240-3.510(1)(C), an applicant for certification to provide intrastate telecommunications service must file with the application a tariff with an effective date of no less than forty-five days from the date of filing. As noted above, Rystec did not file a tariff, or tariff sheets, with its August 26 Application.

3. After reviewing the Commission's Order and its existing tariff, Rystec has concluded the its existing tariff does not cover basic local telecommunications service. Rystec has commenced preparation of proposed tariff sheets for the Commission's consideration, but they will not be ready for filing before the November 14 filing required by the October 30 Order.

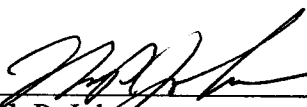
In light of that fact, Rystec requests in this pleading a waiver of the tariff-filing requirement, as allowed by 4 CSR 240-2.060(4). Rystec anticipates that it will file the proposed tariff sheets within two weeks of this Motion.

4. However, Rystec sought extension of its certification to include local exchange because CenturyTel had informed Rystec that it would not allow collocation until Rystec had local exchange certification. The inability to collocate with CenturyTel has thwarted Rystec's attempts to expand its network. Time is of the essence. Thus, pending the filing of the tariff sheets concerning local exchange service, Rystec requests that the Commission grant the extended certification. While the certification will allow Rystec to move forward with its CenturyTel collocations, Rystec will not provide local exchange service until its tariff sheets have been approved.

5. Rystec is not posing this Motion for purposes of delay, but rather to ensure that its tariff properly includes provisions relating to local exchange service.

Wherefore, Rystec moves the Commission for a waiver of the regulations' tariff-filing requirements pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.060(4).

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document has been served via electronic mail on this 14th day of November, 2003, to:

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