OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Aurora Communications) for a Certificate of Service Authority to Provide Basic Local) Telecommunications Services in Portions of the State of) Missouri and to Classify Said Services and the Company as Competitive)

) Case No. CA-2007-0175

ORDER DIRECTING STAFF TO FILE A RECOMMENDATION OR STATUS REPORT

Issue Date: December 7, 2006 Effective Date: December 7, 2006

On November 1, 2006, Aurora Communications, Inc. ("Aurora") applied for a certificate of service authority to provide basic local exchange telecommunications services within the state of Missouri, and for competitive classification. Aurora specifically sought certification to provide basic local service in portions of Missouri currently being served by Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P., d/b/a SBC Missouri. On November 7, notice was issued and an intervention deadline was set for November 22.

On November 15, Aurora sought leave to amend its application to add Alltel Missouri, Inc. and CenturyTel of Missouri L.L.C to its proposed list of incumbent local exchange telecommunications companies within which Aurora Communications, Inc. proposed to provide local exchange telecommunications service. The Commission granted Aurora leave to amend, and re-issued notice and re-set the intervention deadline to December 6. No requests to intervene were filed.

The Commission would like to move this case forward, and would like to have the benefit of a recommendation from its Staff before it further considers Aurora's application. Therefore, the Staff will be directed to file either a recommendation or a status report informing the Commission of when it will be able to file its recommendation regarding the application.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Staff of the Missouri Public Commission shall file a recommendation, or a status report regarding its recommendation, in this matter no later than January 4, 2007.
 - 2. This order shall become effective on December 7, 2006.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

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Harold Stearley, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 7th day of December, 2006.