In the Matter of an Investigation into the Quality of Wireline Telecommunications Services in the State of Missouri

File No. TO-2011-0047

Name of Company Responding: Choctaw Telephone Company

A. Does your company own or maintain telecommunications facilities in Missouri?

Answer: Yes

B. Does your company track on a regular basis any of the following information:

i. Timeliness of installing service after customer orders service.

<u>Answer:</u> Yes. The Company generates and reviews a monthly Service Quality Report that provides the number of service orders completed (service installed) within the same day, within one to 5 days and greater than 5 days. In most cases, the service orders completed in greater than 5 days are at the customer's request.

ii. Timeliness of repairing service after a customer reports trouble.

<u>Answer:</u> Yes. The Company generates and reviews monthly Trouble Quality of Service Reports.

iii. Amount of service trouble.

<u>Answer:</u> Yes. In addition to the report noted in the above response, the Company generates a monthly Summary of Exchange Troubles Cleared Report.

C. Please provide your more recent results for any of the information tracked above.

Answer: See attached reports for the month of September 2010

D. Explain your company's preventative maintenance procedures. Include in your explanation specific methods you utilize to be certain that telephone equipment and plant is kept in good working condition. State whether your preventative maintenance program is tracked by exchange, area, or state. Please provide results of this measurement for the past two years.

<u>Answer:</u> The Company's preventive maintenance activities for its central offices involve regular testing of the switching and related equipment. The Company's outside plant facilities are also reviewed and tested on a regular basis. If any problems are found in either the central office or outside plant, the Company takes the necessary steps to correct the problems. The Company has

two exchanges that cover the same geographic area for purposes of separating the customers that subscribe to an MCA plan. Therefore, the Company's records track all maintenance programs at the area level, which is the same as the state level.

E. What percentage of your company's annual budget is spent on maintaining existing telephone plant?

<u>Answer:</u> The Company allocates a significant portion of its operating budget on maintaining its existing plant. Historically, the percentage has always exceeded 50% of the total budget, but the exact amount of maintenance required is cyclical in nature. Currently, a greater portion of the budget has been allocated to new plant to make all lines capable of providing DSL services to all customers within the Company's service area. The fact that the Company has not had any customer complaints regarding service is also an indication that the Company is maintaining its existing plant in a satisfactory manner.

F. What percentage of your company's annual budget is spent on training its technical staff?

<u>Answer:</u> The Company maintains its books and records in accordance with Part 32 of Uniform System of Accounts. Part 32 does not provide for the separate accounting of training expense. As a result, the Company is not able to identify what amount or percentage of its annual budget is spent training of its technical staff. As a general matter, however, the Company believes that a significant portion of its annual budget is spent training its technical staff.

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Days	Number of Applied Service Orders	Percentage Applied
Same Day	65	79.27%
Within 5 Days but more than a Day	7	8.54%
Greater Than 5 Days	10	12.20%

Total

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012	DSL CARRIER	0001	LIGHTNING Troubles Cleared For Plant Group:	1	09/24/2010
			Total Trouble Cleared for Company:	36	