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|    | Lathrop Telephone Company, and KLM         |  |  |  |  |
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| 1  | PROCEEDINGS   |
| 2  | JUDGE MILLS: So we'll go on the record                        |
| 3  | briefly, take entries of appearance, and that will conclude   |
| 4  | the on-the-record portion, and then I'll leave you all alone. |
| 5  | Are you ready? Let's go on the record. We're on the record    |
| 6  | this morning for a pre-hearing conference on Case No.         |
| 7  | AO-2004-0036. We'll begin with entries of appearance on my    |
| 8  | left, starting with the Staff.                                |
| 9  | MR. HAAS: Staff appears by William K. Haas,                   |
| 10 | my address is Post Office Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri,  |
| 11 | 65102.  |
| 12 | JUDGE MILLS: Thank you.                                       |
| 13 | MR. COMLEY: Thank you, Judge Mills. Let the                   |
| 14 | record reflect the entry of Mark W. Comley; Newman, Comley    |
| 15 | and Ruth, 601 Monroe, Suite 301, Jefferson City, Missouri, on |
| 16 | behalf of the applicant in this case, The Heart of America    |
| 17 | United Way, Incorporated.                                     |
| 18 | JUDGE MILLS: Thank you.                                       |
| 19 | MR. MCCARTNEY: Brian T. McCartney of the law                  |
| 20 | firm Brydon, Swearengen and England, P.C., 312 East Capital   |
| 21 | Avenue, Jefferson City, Missouri, 65101, appearing today on   |
| 22 | behalf of Green Hills Telephone Corporation, Citizens         |
| 23 | Telephone Company of Higginsville, Cass County Telephone,     |
| 24 | Lathrop Telephone Company, and KLM Telephone Company.         |
| 25 | JUDGE MILLS: Thank you. Is there anything                     |

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| 1  | Page 4 the parties want to take up while we're on the record? |
| 2  | MR. COMLEY: Judge, there is one thing. I                      |
| 3  | wanted to let the Judge know that yesterday I received a      |
| 4  | phone call from a representative of AT&T, and the Commission  |
| 5  | would know that generally I have done some work for AT&T, and |
| 6  | the company inquired about this case, and perhaps             |
| 7  | participating in it. I wanted the Commission to understand    |
| 8  | that it may be likely that AT&T may file a request for a      |
| 9  | late-filed intervention, because of some of the issues that   |
| 10 | may affect the network in the areas where the applicant is    |
| 11 | seeking authority to serve information referral services, so  |
| 12 | I wanted to tell you that. I don't know what the parties      |
| 13 | feel about it, but.   |
| 14 | JUDGE MILLS: Okay.  |
| 15 | MR. COMLEY: AT&T is also a CLEC operating in                  |
| 16 | some of the exchanges that are referred to in the             |
| 17 | application, and as far as the applicant is concerned, its    |
| 18 | participation may be important, so I wanted to let you know   |
| 19 | that.   |
| 20 | JUDGE MILLS: Okay. Well, our rules of the                     |
| 21 | standards for late interventions, and of course, the parties  |
| 22 | would have the opportunity to respond to any application that |
| 23 | came in late, so if it happens, we'll deal with it then.      |
| 24 | MR. COMLEY: All right.  |
| 25 | JUDGE MILLS: I appreciate the heads up.                       |

| 1        | Page 5 Anything else? Okay. Seeing nothing, we're off record. |
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| 3        | prehearing conference was concluded.                          |
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