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Cecil I. Wright  
Executive Secretary  
Missouri Public Service Commission  
P.O. Box 360  
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

Re: Mid-Missouri Group and The Small Telephone Company Group  
Application for Designation as Eligible Telecommunications Company Carriers

Dear Mr. Wright:

On behalf of the Mid-Missouri Group and the Small Telephone Company Group, enclosed please find for filing with the Missouri Public Service Commission, an original and fourteen copies of an Application for Designation as Eligible Carriers Pursuant to § 254 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

A copy of this Application will be provided this date to the General Counsel of the Missouri Public Service Commission and the Office of the Public Counsel.

Would you please see that this filing is brought to the immediate attention of the appropriate Commission personnel.

Thank you for your cooperation and assistance in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

BRYDON, SWEARENGEN & ENGLAND P.C.

By:

*Sandra B. Morgan*

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cc: Office of the Public Counsel  
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Mr. Craig Johnson  
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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
STATE OF MISSOURI

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MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of the )  
Mid-Missouri Group and the Small )  
Telephone Company Group of )  
Incumbent Local Exchange Companies )  
for Designation as Telecommunications )  
Company Carriers Eligible for Federal )  
Universal Service Support pursuant to )  
§ 254 of the 1996 Telecommunications Act.)

Case No. TC 92-49

**APPLICATION FOR DESIGNATION AS ELIGIBLE CARRIERS  
PURSUANT TO § 254 OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996**

Come now the Mid Missouri Group ("Mid-Mo"), members of which are set out in Appendix A attached, and the Small Telephone Company Group ("STCG"), members of which are set out in Appendix B attached, (hereinafter collectively sometimes referred to as "Applicants") all of whom are incumbent local exchange carriers ("ILECs"), and pursuant to § 254 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 ("the Act"), as well as pursuant to the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") regulations found at 47 CFR 54.201, et seq, issued with the May 7, 1997 Report and Order of the Federal Communications Commission in FCC Docket No. 96-45, and hereby request that the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") designate each of the companies of Mid-Mo and the STCG as telecommunications carriers eligible under the provisions of 47 CFR 54.201 (d) to receive federal universal service support.

In support of this Application, Applicants state as follows:

1. Each of the ILECs comprising the Mid-Mo and the STCG groups will be eligible to receive federal universal service support under the statutes and regulations constituting the federal universal support system that will exist subsequent to January 1, 1998.

2. Section 254 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 enacted policy changes to the federal universal service support system, and established a subsequent schedule by which a joint universal service board, as well as the FCC would implement rules and regulations embodying those policy changes.

3. On May 7, 1997, in FCC Docket No. 96-45, the FCC issued its Report and Order, as well as final rules, implementing these changes to the federal universal service support system.

4. 47 CFR 54.201 (b) authorizes the Commission, on its own motion or upon request, to designate an "eligible telecommunications carrier" for rural service areas served by rural telephone companies, so long as the carrier meets the requirements of rule 47 CFR 54.201 (d).

5. All of the ILECs will in the future be eligible to receive federal universal service support, including that available for high cost areas and low income consumers, based on the new federal universal service support rules.

6. All of the ILECs qualify for designation as "eligible telecommunications carriers" under the provisions of 47 CFR 54.201 (d), in that throughout their respective exchanges or service areas, each of them (with the few exceptions outlined below for which additional time is requested as provided by 47 CFR 54.101(c)) offers the services to be supported by federal universal service support using their own facilities. The ILECs advertise the availability of such services and charges therefor using directories, public record tariffs, newsletters and bill stuffers. The ILECs further commit to any additional advertising in media of general distribution that the Commission deems appropriate to meet the requirements of 47

CFR 54.201(d)(2).

7. Specifically, all of the ILECs, with three (3) exceptions addressed later in this application, currently offer eight of the services supported by federal universal service support as set forth in 47 CFR 54.101 (a):

- (1) Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- (2) Local usage;
- (3) Dual tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent;
- (4) Single-party service or its functional equivalent;
- (5) Access to emergency services;
- (6) Access to operator services;
- (7) Access to interexchange service; and
- (8) Access to directory assistance.

None of the ILECs currently offer all aspects of the ninth service, toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers, as it is defined by the FCC. The FCC has defined toll limitation in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) as including both toll blocking and toll control. "Toll control" is defined at 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3) as "a service provided by carriers that allows consumers to specify a certain amount of toll usage that may be incurred on their telecommunications channel per month or per billing cycle." While Applicants are able to provide toll blocking, none of the ILECs have the technical ability to provide toll control. Attached to this Application as Appendix C are affidavits executed by representatives of each of the ILECs included in both the Mid-Mo and STCG groups affirming to the Commission that each company (with three exceptions whose affidavits are attached as Appendix D) provides

the required services with the exception of toll control at this time.<sup>1</sup>

8. 47 CFR 54.101(c) states that a telecommunications carrier that is otherwise eligible to receive universal service support under § 54.201 may request additional time to complete the network upgrades necessary to provide toll limitation and single-party service. State commissions may grant such a request upon a finding that exceptional circumstances prevent an otherwise eligible telecommunications carrier from providing these services.

9. As the Applicants understand the definition of toll control cited above, this service would require the following elements:

a. The customer would specify a dollar amount of toll usage that would be allowed to be charged to his account each month or billing cycle.

b. At the beginning of each cycle the customer would be allowed to make toll calls to any jurisdiction, using any carrier, until the specified dollar amount was reached.

c. The telephone company would have to monitor and rate all toll calls made by the customer to each jurisdiction and each carrier and keep a running total of the toll calls made.

d. When the customer's dollar limit was reached for that billing period, the telephone company would implement toll blocking in its switch for the remainder of the billing cycle to prevent the customer from making additional toll calls.

In order to accomplish this task the telephone company would have to have systems in

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<sup>1</sup>Some of the affidavits included in Appendix C and Appendix D are fax copies. Original affidavits for all of these companies will be late-filed.

place so that at the completion of each toll call either the telephone company would immediately rate the call and keep a real time record accumulating the customer's toll calls for the billing period or immediately receive from the carrier who handled the call a record of the call rating so that could be accumulated in the customer's toll summary record. When that summary amount reached the limit set by the customer, the company's billing system would then have to communicate with the central office switch serving the customer to impose the toll blocking feature in the switch so that further toll calls could not be made. At the beginning of the new cycle, the central office switch would have to be reset to remove the toll blocking feature for the next billing cycle until the limit was again reached.

Under today's environment, most telephone companies only rate messages periodically during the month, or only at the end of the month. Furthermore, the billing systems currently do not normally summarize a customer's toll usage until the end of the month when the bill is prepared. Of even greater concern is the fact that customer's may receive toll bills from several different carriers depending on their choices for interLATA or intraLATA presubscription and the extent to which they use the 10XXX or 101XXXX dialing features to reach carriers other than the prescribed carrier. There are no provisions for carriers to provide rated messages that that carrier is going to bill back to the telephone company on any basis, let alone on a real time basis. Finally, there are no systems established for the billing system to communicate which the switch to impose toll blocking restrictions on a real time basis.

In order for the Applicant's to provide toll control, if the FCC maintains this

requirement there will have to be extensive revisions to telephone company billing systems and totally new information exchanges established with other carriers to provide the capability required by the FCC. For the Applicants at the present time, toll control is not technically feasible and the Applicants are incapable of offering this service.

Therefore, Applicants hereby request that the Commission grant additional time to provide toll control for qualifying low-income consumers until such time as industry standards have been developed which will allow them to provide this service, that all of the ILECs be designated as eligible carriers upon a finding that the carriers provide all of the services supported by federal universal service support with the exception of toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers, and that exceptional circumstances prevent Applicants from providing that service at this time.

10. Additionally, Applicant KLM Telephone Company ("KLM") is presently unable to offer single-party service to 260 of its 1439 total customers. KLM is currently working to provide single-party service throughout its service area, but at present it requests additional time to complete the network upgrades necessary to provide this service. KLM is at present working with the Commission to establish a modernization plan in which the company will agree to provide single-party service to all its customers by December 31, 1998. In order to avoid having to incur a financial burden and possibly increase rates for local service, KLM is doing the necessary upgrades using its own employees. Therefore, KLM is now requesting additional time to complete the network upgrades needed to provide single-party service pursuant to 47 CFR 54.101(c).

11. Ozark Telephone Company ("Ozark") is also currently unable to provide single-

party service to 204 customers out of a total of 1729 Missouri customers. Ozark has filed with the Commission a Request for Extension of Time to Complete Modernization Plan in which it states to the Commission that the company must obtain additional financing before it can complete the modernization. Ozark's original commitment for financing the modernization was not honored, and the company was forced to make other arrangements. Ozark has now applied for a \$5.7 million loan from Rural Utility Services ("RUS") and is awaiting documentation from RUS so that it can apply to the Commission for approval of the financing. It has become apparent that the loan application and approval process will not be completed in time for the company to obtain the funds and complete the upgrade of its private line service by the end of 1997 as originally planned. Ozark is attempting to obtain interim financing so that it will be able to continue with the upgrades. Therefore, Ozark is now requesting additional time up to December 31, 1998, to complete the network upgrades needed to provide single-party service pursuant to 47 CFR 54.101(c).

12. Cass County Telephone Company ("Cass County") also requests additional time to provide single-party service. Cass County is currently unable to provide single-party service to 747 customers out of a total 6899 customers. Since the time it purchased the properties from GTE Midwest, Inc. in 1996, Cass County has worked to modernize the exchanges. However, Cass County has not received the universal service funding it requires to complete the modernization.<sup>2</sup> Therefore, Cass County is now requesting additional time, up to December 31, 1998, to complete the network upgrades needed to provide single-party service

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<sup>2</sup>See, Cass County Telephone Company Petition F.C.C. No. AAD 97-59 for a detailed explanation. This Petition was supported by the Commission in comments filed at the FCC.

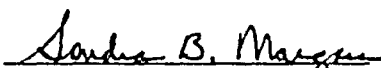


pursuant to 47 CFR 54.101(c).

13. Applicants acknowledge that 47 CFR 54.405 requires all eligible telecommunications carriers to make Lifeline services (as defined in 47 CFR 54.401) available to qualifying low-income consumers. If each individual company included in the group of Applicants does not already provide Lifeline services, the company will file a tariff with the Commission before the end of the year so that service will be available to qualifying low-income consumers by January 1, 1998.

WHEREFORE, on the basis of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request that the Commission designate, prior to December 31, 1997, each of the ILECs of the Mid-Missouri Group and the Small Telephone Company Group as telecommunications carriers eligible under the provisions of 47 CFR 54,201 (d) to receive federal universal service support, grant the requests for additional time to provide the required services as set out herein, and grant such further orders as are deemed necessary or convenient in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Attorney for The Mid Missouri Group

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was sent by U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, or hand-delivered on this 1st day of August, 1997, to the Missouri Public Service Commission Staff General Counsel and to the Office of the Public Counsel.

Sandra B. Morgan  
Sandra B. Morgan

**MID MISSOURI GROUP**

Alma Telephone Company  
Chariton Valley Telephone Corporation  
Choctaw Telephone Company  
Mid-Missouri Telephone Company  
Modern Telecommunications Company  
MoKan Dial Inc.  
Northeast Missouri Rural Telephone Company  
Peace Valley Telephone Company Inc.

**SMALL TELEPHONE COMPANY GROUP**

ALLTEL Missouri, Inc.  
Bourbeuse Telephone Company  
BPS Telephone Company  
Cass County Telephone Company  
Citizens Telephone Company of Higginsville, Missouri, Inc.  
Craw-Kan Telephone Cooperative, Inc.  
Ellington Telephone Company  
Farber Telephone Company  
Fidelity Telephone Company  
Goodman Telephone Company, Inc.  
Granby Telephone Company  
Grand River Mutual Telephone Corporation  
Green Hills Telephone Corp.  
Holway Telephone Company  
Iamo Telephone Company  
Kingdom Telephone Company  
KLM Telephone Company  
Lathrop Telephone Company  
Le-Ru Telephone Company  
McDonald County Telephone Company  
Mark Twain Rural Telephone Company  
Miller Telephone Company  
New Florence Telephone Company  
New London Telephone Company  
Orchard Farm Telephone Company  
Oregon Farmers Mutual Telephone Company  
Ozark Telephone Company  
Rock Port Telephone Company  
Seneca Telephone Company  
Steelyville Telephone Exchange, Inc.  
Stoutland Telephone Company

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF ARKANSAS )  
 )ss  
COUNTY OF PULASKI )

I, Jack Redfern, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the Staff Manager - Regulatory Matters of ALLTEL Telephone Services Corp.; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf ALLTEL Missouri, Inc.; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

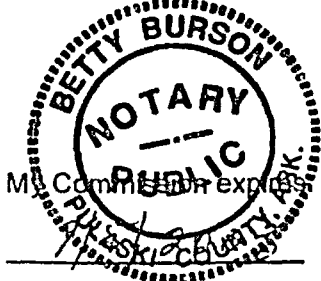
ALLTEL Missouri, Inc. currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

ALLTEL Missouri, Inc. is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income customers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While ALLTEL Missouri, Inc. is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.

Jack Redfern

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31<sup>ST</sup> day of July, 1997.



Betty Burson  
Notary Public

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI )  
COUNTY OF LAFAYETTE ) ss

I, ORAL A GLASCO, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the MANAGER of ALMA TELEPHONE COMPANY; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of ALMA TELEPHONE COMPANY; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

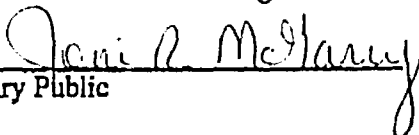
ALMA TELEPHONE COMPANY currently provides the following services to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

ALMA TELEPHONE COMPANY is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While ALMA TELEPHONE CO. is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.



Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18 day of July, 1997.

  
Notary Public

My Commission expires:

10-31-98

NOTARY PUBLIC  
STATE OF MISSOURI  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES OCT. 31, 1998

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI )  
 ) ss  
COUNTY OF FRANKLIN )

I, Kent Bliss, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the Vice President - Revenues of Bourbeuse Telephone Company; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of Bourbeuse Telephone Company; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Bourbeuse Telephone Company currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

Bourbeuse Telephone Company is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While Bourbeuse Telephone Company is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.

Kent Bliss

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31 day of July, 1997.

Elaine Joslin  
Notary Public

My Commission expires:

02-21-1999

ELAINE JOSLIN  
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF MISSOURI  
FRANKLIN COUNTY  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 2/21/99

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI )  
 ) ss  
COUNTY OF Dunklin )

I, Lisa Winberry, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the Manager of BPS Telephone Co.; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of BPS Telephone Co.; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

BPS Telephone Co. currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

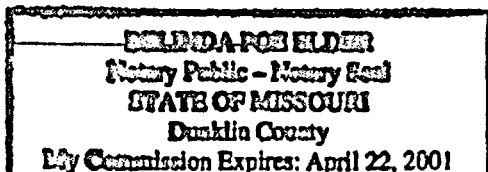
BPS Telephone Co. is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While BPS Telephone Co. is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.

Lisa Winberry

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of July, 1997.

Belinda Poe Elder  
Notary Public

My Commission expires:





AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI )  
COUNTY OF Linn ) ss

I, William Biere, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the manager of Chariton Valley Telephone, that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of Chariton Valley Telephone; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Chariton Valley Tel. currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

Chariton Valley Telephone is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While Chariton Valley is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.

William Biere

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of July, 1997.

Jane E. Frandson  
Notary Public

My Commission expires: 12-11-2000

Jane E. Frandson, Notary Public  
Linn County, State of Missouri  
My Commission Expires 12/11/2000

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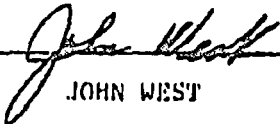
STATE OF MISSOURI }  
COUNTY OF LAWRENCE } ss

I, JOHN WEST of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the PRESIDENT of CHOCTAW TELEPHONE COMPANY; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of CHOCTAW TELEPHONE COMPANY; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.


CHOCTAW TELEPHONE COMPANY currently provides the following services to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

CHOCTAW TELEPHONE COMPANY is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While CHOCTAW is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.

  
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JOHN WEST

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of JULY, 1997.

  
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Notary Public

My Commission expires:  
MAE JOHNSON  
NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF MISSOURI  
LAWRENCE COUNTY  
MY COMMISSION EXP. AUG. 30, 1997

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI )  
 ) ss  
COUNTY OF Lafayette )

I, Brian L. Cornelius of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the President of Citizens Telephone Co.; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of Citizens Telephone Co.; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Citizens Telephone Co. currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

Citizens Telephone Co. is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While Citizens Telephone Co. is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.

Brian Cornelius

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29<sup>th</sup> day of JULY, 1997.

Cindy Soendker  
Notary Public CINDY SOENDKER

My Commission expires:

CINDY SOENDKER  
Notary Public - Notary Seal  
STATE OF MISSOURI  
Lafayette County  
My Commission Expires: May 14, 1999

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI )  
 ) ss  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ )

I, Jerry James, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the Gen Manager of Craw-Kan Telephone Coop., Inc.; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of Craw-Kan Telephone Coop., Inc; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Craw-Kan Telephone Coop. currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

Craw-Kan Telephone Coop., Inc. is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While Craw-Kan Telephone is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.

Jerry James

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24 day of July, 1997.

**CRAIG R. WILBERT, Notary Public**  
State of Missouri, Crawford County  
My Commission Expires 07/16/00

Craig R. Wilbert  
Notary Public

My Commission expires:

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AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI )  
COUNTY OF Reynolds ) ss

I, Dee McCormack, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the President of Ellington Telephone Company; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of Ellington Telephone Company; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Ellington Telephone Co. currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

Ellington Telephone Company is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While Ellington Telephone is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.

Dee M. McCormack  
Dee M. McCormack

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of August, 1997.

Carol L. Ward  
Notary Public



My Commission expires:

3-26-2000

CAROL WARD  
NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF MISSOURI  
REYNOLDS COUNTY  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES MAR. 20, 2000

AFFIDAVIT

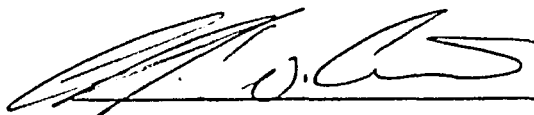
STATE OF MISSOURI )  
 ) ss  
COUNTY OF ANDRAN )

I, CHARLES W. CROW, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the VICE PRESIDENT of FARBER TELEPHONE CO.; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of FARBER TELEPHONE CO.; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

FARBER TELEPHONE CO. currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

FARBER TELEPHONE CO. is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While FARBER TELEPHONE CO. is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.



Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24 day of July, 1997.

Judith R. Ellis  
Notary Public

My Commission expires:

11-7-2000

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI )  
 ) ss  
COUNTY OF FRANKLIN )

I, Kent Bliss, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the Vice President - Revenues of Fidelity Telephone Company; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of Fidelity Telephone Company; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Fidelity Telephone Company currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

Fidelity Telephone Company is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While Fidelity Telephone Company is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.

Kent Bliss

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31 day of July, 1997.

Elaine Joslin  
Notary Public

ELAINE JOSLIN  
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF MISSOURI  
FRANKLIN COUNTY  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 2/21/99

My Commission expires:  
02-21-1999

AFFIDAVIT

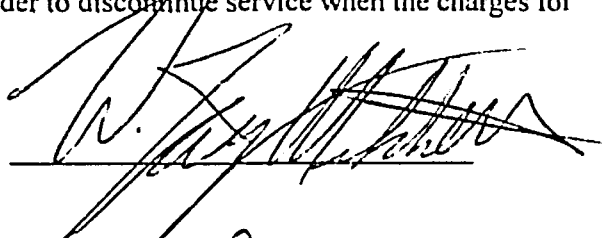
STATE OF MISSOURI )  
 )  
 ) ss  
COUNTY OF NEWTON )

I, W. JAY MITCHELL, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the V. PRESIDENT of GOODMAN TELEPHONE CO; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of GOODMAN TELEPHONE COMPANY; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

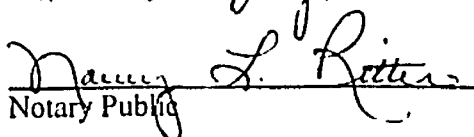
GOODMAN TELEPHONE CO currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

GOODMAN TELEPHONE COMPANY is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While GOODMAN TELEPHONE is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.



Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of July, 1997.

  
Notary Public

My Commission expires:

March 2, 1999



AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI )  
 ) ss  
COUNTY OF Newton )

I, Jan C Steffler, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the President of Cranby Telephone Co.; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of Cranby Telephone Co.; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Cranby Telephone Co. currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

Cranby Telephone Co. is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While Cranby Telephone Co. is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.

Jan C Steffler

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1997.

Craig M. Johnson  
Notary Public

My Commission expires:

JAN. 31, 2001


STATE OF MISSOURI )  
 ) ss  
COUNTY OF MERCER )

I, Philip S. Johnson, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the General Manager of Grand River Mutual Telephone Corporation; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of Grand River Mutual Telephone Corporation; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Grand River Mutual Telephone Corporation currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

Grand River Mutual Telephone Corporation is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While Grand River Mutual Telephone Corporation is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.

  
Philip S. Johnson

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1997.

  
Notary Public

My Commission expires:  
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MARY PEARL SCURLOCK  
Notary Public - Notary Seal  
STATE OF MISSOURI  
Mercer County  
My Commission Expires: April 24, 1999

APPENDIX C

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI }  
COUNTY OF Caldwell } 59

I, Darren Williams, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the Business/Mgr. Mgr of Green Hills Telephone Corp.; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of Green Hills Telephone Corp.; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Green Hills Telephone Corp. currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

Green Hills Telephone Corp. is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While Green Hills Telephone is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.

*Darren Williams*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of August, 1997.

*Shirley M. ...*  
Notary Public

My Commission expires:

March 11, 2001

**SHIRLEY M. McCASLIN, Notary Public**  
Notary Seal, State of Missouri  
Commissioned in Washington County  
My Commission Expires March 11, 2001

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI )  
COUNTY OF HOLT ) ss

I, Bruce Copsy, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the Secretary of Holway Telephone Company; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of Holway Telephone Company; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Holway Telephone Co. currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

Holway Telephone Company is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While Holway Telephone Co. is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.

Bruce Copsy

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1997.

Val A. Derr  
Notary Public

My Commission expires:

12-01-2000

VAL A. DERR, NOTARY PUBLIC  
STATE OF MISSOURI, NODAWAY COUNTY  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 1, 2000

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF IOWA       )  
                                  )  
COUNTY OF PAGE     )

I, Larry McAlpin, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I Am the General Manager of IAMO Telephone Company that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of IAMO Telephone Company and that the facts set forth in the Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

IAMO Telephone Company currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers.

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operate services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

IAMO Telephone Company is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While IAMO Telephone Company is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.

Larry McAlpin \_\_\_\_\_  
General Manager

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1997

Kathryn M. Jancik \_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

My Commission expires:

5-4-2000

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI )  
 ) ss  
COUNTY OF Callaway )

I, Tom Blevins, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the General Mngr of Kingdom Telephone Company; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of Kingdom Telephone Company; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

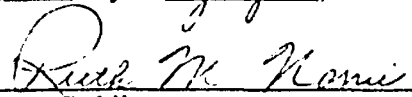
Kingdom Telephone Company currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

Kingdom Telephone Company is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While Kingdom Telephone Cos able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.



Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31st day of July, 1997.

  
Notary Public

My Commission expires:

4-22-98


STATE OF MISSOURI     )  
  ) ss  
COUNTY OF MERCER    )

I, Philip S. Johnson, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the General Manager of Lathrop Telephone Company; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of Lathrop Telephone Company; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Lathrop Telephone Company currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

Lathrop Telephone Company is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While Lathrop Telephone Company is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.

  
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Philip S. Johnson

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1997.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

My Commission expires:  
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MARY PEARL SCURLOCK  
Notary Public - Notary Seal  
STATE OF MISSOURI  
Mercer County  
My Commission Expires: April 24, 1999

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI )  
 ) ss  
COUNTY OF NEWTON )

I, Robert Hart, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the Vice-Pres. of Le-Ru Telephone Co.; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of Le-Ru Telephone Co.; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Le-Ru Telephone Co. currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

Le-Ru Telephone Co. is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While Le-Ru Telephone is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.

Robert Hart

Subscribed and sworn to before me this: 24th day of July, 1997.

Carolyn Dyer  
Notary Public Carolyn Dyer

My Commission expires:

3/24/2000

CAROLYN DYER  
NOTARY PUBLIC - NOTARY SEAL  
STATE OF MISSOURI  
COUNTY OF NEWTON  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 2/24/2000



AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI )  
 ) SS  
COUNTY OF McDonald )

I, Ross Babbitt, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the Vice President of McDonald County Telephone Co.; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of McDonald County Telephone Co.; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

McDonald County Telephone Co. currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

McDonald County Telephone Company is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While McDonald Cty. Tele. Co. is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.

Ross M. Babbitt

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30 day of July, 1997.

Sharon S. Ellis  
Notary Public

My Commission expires:

10-10-2000

# MARK TWAIN RURAL TELEPHONE COMPANY

An Independent Telephone Cooperative

• Phone (816) 423-5211

• Fax (816) 423-5496

## AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI )

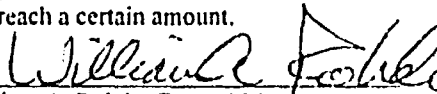
COUNTY OF *knott* )<sup>ss</sup>

I, William A. Rohde, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the General Manager of Mark Twain Rural Telephone Co.; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of Mark Twain Rural Telephone Co.; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

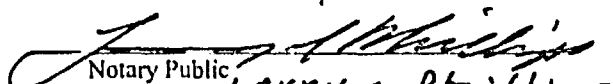
Mark Twain Rural Telephone Company currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rule making);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, 3.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

Mark Twain Rural Telephone Co. is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While Mark Twain is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(1) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.

  
William A. Rohde, General Manager

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1997.

  
Notary Public HARRY S. PHILLIPS

My Commission expires: MAY 21, 1999

AFFIDAVIT

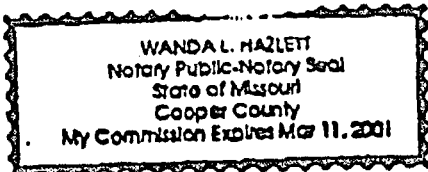
STATE OF MISSOURI }  
COUNTY OF Cooper } ss

I, DAVID JONES, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the Exec Vice Pres of MID-MISSOURI TELEPHONE Co.; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of MID-MISSOURI TELEPHONE Co.; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

MID-MISSOURI TELEPHONE Co. currently provides the following services to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

MID-MISSOURI TELEPHONE Co. is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While MID-MISSOURI TELEPHONE is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.



*[Handwritten Signature]*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1<sup>st</sup> day of August, 1997.

Wanda L. Hazlett  
Notary Public

My Commission expires:

March 11, 2001

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI )  
COUNTY OF LAWRENCE ) ss

I, ELVEDA ROSE, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the BOOKKEEPER of MILLER TELEPHONE COMPANY; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of MILLER TELEPHONE COMPANY; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

MILLER TELEPHONE COMPANY currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

MILLER TELEPHONE COMPANY is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While MILLER TELEPHONE COMPANY is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.

Elveda Rose

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1<sup>st</sup> day of August, 1997.

Janice Arbuckle  
Notary Public

My Commission expires:

7-15-98

JANICE ARBUCKLE  
NOTARY PUBLIC - STATE OF MISSOURI  
LAWRENCE COUNTY  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES JULY 15, 1998

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI }  
COUNTY OF SULLIVAN } ss

I, Ray Ford, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the manager of Modern Telecommunications; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of Modern Telecommunications; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Modern Telecommunications currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

Modern Telecommunications is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While Modern Telecom is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.



Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of July, 1997.

Lori S. LaFaver  
Notary Public Lori S. LaFaver

My Commission expires:

9/26/2000

Lori S. LaFaver, Notary Public  
Sullivan County, State of Missouri  
My Commission Expires 9/26/2000

AFFIDAVIT


STATE OF KANSAS )  
) SS  
COUNTY OF MIAMI

I, Donald D. Stowell of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the General Manager of MOKAN Dial, Inc., Mo.; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of MOKAN Dial, Inc., Mo.; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

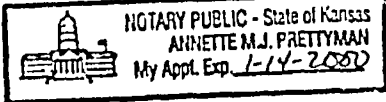
MOKAN Dial, Inc. currently provides the following services to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

MOKAN Dial, Inc. is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While MOKAN Dial, Inc. is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.

  
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18 day of July, 1997.



Annette M.J. Prettyman  
Notary Public

My Commission expires:

Jan 14, 2000

# New Florence Telephone Company, Inc.

P.O. Box 175 • 101 North Main Street  
New Florence, Missouri 63363-0175

Telephone Number 573-835-2997

FAX Number 573-835-2929

## AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI                    )  
  ) ss  
COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY            )

I, Lon J. Gates, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the General Manager of New Florence Telephone Company, that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of New Florence Telephone Company; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

New Florence Telephone Company currently provides the following services as defined in 47CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers.

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

New Florence Telephone Company is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While New Florence Telephone Company is able to provide toll blocking, 47CFR 54.400(n)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.

Lon J. Gates

Subscribed and sworn before me this 28<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1997.

Walter Marsney  
NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission expires: 4-15-2000

WALTER MARSNEY  
NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF MISSOURI  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES APRIL 15, 2000

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF OKLAHOMA )  
 ) ss  
COUNTY OF OKLAHOMA )

I, John Zeiler, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the Manager of External Relations of TDS Telecom; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of the New London, Orchard Farm, and Stoutland Telephone Companies; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

New London, Orchard Farm, and Stoutland Telephone Companies currently provide the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101 (a) and 47 CFR 54.400 (a) to its Missouri Customers.

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

New London, Orchard Farm and Stoutland Telephone Companies are not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400 (a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1<sup>st</sup> day of August, 1997.

[Signature]  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:  
08/05/01



AFFIDAVIT

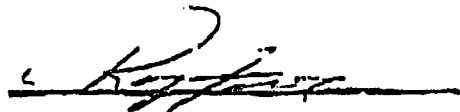
STATE OF MISSOURI }  
COUNTY OF SULLIVAN } ss

I, Ray Ford, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the manager of NE MO Rural Telephone Co.; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of NE. MO Rural Telephone Co.; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

NE. MO Rural Telephone currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

NE. MO Rural Telephone Co. is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While NE. MO Rural Tel is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.



Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of July, 1997.

Lori S. LaFaver  
Notary Public Lori S. LaFaver

My Commission expires:

9/26/2000

Lori S. LaFaver, Notary Public  
Sullivan County, State of Missouri  
My Commission Expires 9/26/2000

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI )  
 ) ss  
COUNTY OF HOLT )

I, ROBERT D. WILLIAMS, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the PRESIDENT of OREGON FARMERS MUTUAL TEL. CO.; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of OREGON FARMERS MUTUAL TEL. CO.; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

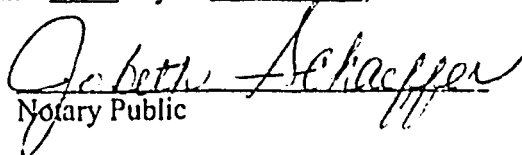
OREGON FARMERS MUTUAL TEL. CO. Currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

OREGON FARMERS MUTUAL TEL. CO. is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While OREGON FARMERS MUTUAL TEL. CO. is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.



Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28 day of JULY, 1997.

  
Notary Public

My Commission expires:

JO BETH SCHAEFFER  
NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF MISSOURI  
HOLT COUNTY  
MY COMMISSION EXP. JULY 4, 1999

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI )  
COUNTY OF Howell ) ss

I, Maurice Rosser, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the President of Peace Valley Tele. Co.. I ~~that~~ I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of Peace Valley Tele. Co., Inc.; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Peace Valley Telephone Co. currently provides the following services to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

Peace Valley Telephone Co., Inc. is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While Peace Valley is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.

Maurice Rosser

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23 day of July, 1997.

Sheryl E Boss  
Notary Public

My Commission expires:

SHERYL E. BOSS      Notary Public  
Howell County      State of Missouri  
My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI )  
 ) ss  
COUNTY OF Atchison )

I, Boyd D Spiker, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the General Manager of Rock Port Telephone Company; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of Rock Port Telephone Company; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Rock Port Telephone Company currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

Rock Port Telephone Company is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While Rock Port Telephone Co. is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.

Boyd D Spiker

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1997.

W. L. Mahan  
Notary Public

My Commission expires:

October 12, 1997

AFFIDAVIT

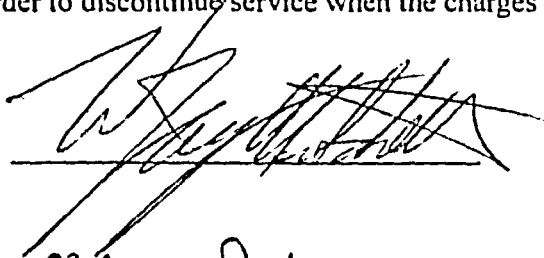
STATE OF MISSOURI )  
 ) ss  
COUNTY OF NEWTON )

I, W. JAY MITCHELL, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the V. PRESIDENT of SENECA TELEPHONE COMPANY; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of SENECA TELEPHONE COMPANY; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

SENECA TELEPHONE CO. currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

SENECA TELEPHONE COMPANY is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While SENECA TELEPHONE is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.



Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of July, 1997.

Nancy S. Ritter  
Notary Public

My Commission expires:

March 2, 1999

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI     )  
  ) ss  
COUNTY OF CRAWFORD    )

I, W. R. Kehr, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the Gen. Mgr. of Steelville Telephone Exchange, Inc. that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of Steelville Telephone Exchange, Inc.; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Steelville Telephone Exchange, Inc. currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Single party service;
- e. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- f. Access to operator services; and
- g. Access to directory assistance.

Steelville Telephone Exchange, Inc. is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While Steelville Telephone Exch. is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.

W.R. Kehr  
W.R. Kehr, Genl Mgr.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21 day of July, 1997.

Jeanie Lynn Miles  
Notary Public

My Commission expires:

Dec 14, 1999

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI )  
 )  
COUNTY OF Cass )<sup>SS</sup>  
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I, Kenneth M. Matzdorff, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the President of Cass County Telephone; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of Cass County Telephone; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Cass County Telephone currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Texas customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- e. Access to operator services; and
- f. Access to directory assistance.

Cass County Telephone is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While Cass County Telephone is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.

Kenneth M Matzdorff

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of July, 1997.

Doris J Standley  
Notary Public

My Commission expires:

December 11, 2000

DORIS J. STANDLEY
Notary Public - Notary Seal
STATE OF MISSOURI
Cass County
My Commission Expires: Dec. 11, 2000

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI }  
COUNTY OF Holt. } ss

I, Bruce Copsay, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the Secretary of KLM TELEPHONE Company; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of KLM TELEPHONE Company; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

KLM TELEPHONE Company currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- e. Access to operator services; and
- f. Access to directory assistance.

KLM TELEPHONE Company is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While KLM Telephone Co. is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.

Bruce Copsay

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1997.

Val A. Derr  
Notary Public

My Commission expires:

12-01-2000

VAL A. DERR, NOTARY PUBLIC  
STATE OF MISSOURI, MODAWAY COUNTY  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 1, 2000



AFFIDAVIT

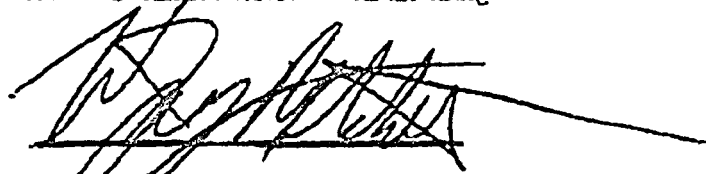
STATE OF MISSOURI )  
 ) ss  
COUNTY OF NEWTON )

I, W. JAY MITCHELL of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the PRESIDENT of OZARK TELEPHONE COMPANY; that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of OZARK TELEPHONE COMPANY; and that the facts set forth in this Affidavit and the foregoing Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

OZARK TELEPHONE CO. currently provides the following services as defined in 47 CFR 54.101(a) and 47 CFR 54.400(a) to its Missouri customers:

- a. Voice grade access to the public switched network;
- b. Local usage (to be defined in a future rulemaking);
- c. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone);
- d. Access to emergency services, e.g. 911 and E911;
- e. Access to operator services; and
- f. Access to directory assistance.

OZARK TELEPHONE COMPANY is not at this time able to provide toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers as that service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission in 47 CFR 54.400(a)(3). While OZARK TELEPHONE is able to provide toll blocking, 47 CFR 54.400(a)(4) defines "toll limitation" as both toll blocking and toll control. The company is not able to provide toll control due to the technical inability of our equipment to monitor a customer's bill in order to discontinue service when the charges for service reach a certain amount.



Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31st day of July, 1997.

Danny L. Pittman  
Notary Public

My Commission expires:

MARCH 2, 1999