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Dear Secretary:

Enclosed please find an original and three (3) copies of Northeast Missouri Rural Telephone Company's substitute Original Sheet No. 6. This substitute sheet is being filed pursuant to conversations with Staff. This sheet is being substituted for the original sheet 6 originally filed. In the event the tariffs are not made effective on the initially proposed effective date, but instead are suspended for further proceedings, Northeast reserves the right to withdraw this substitute and refile the original sheet if Northeast deems that expedient.

If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know.

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Re:

Northeast Missouri Rural Telephone Company

PSC Mo. No. 3, Wireless Termination Service Tariff

Dear Secretary:

Enclosed please find an original and three (3) copies of the above-referenced tariff. This tariff is almost identical to the tariff language approved for most other small rural telephone companies in TT-2001-139, et al. Additional language has been added regarding a default interMTA traffic proportion if the wireless carrier fails to provide traffic reports distinguishing intraMTA from interMTA traffic. This default factor, based upon the percentage of access lines within and without the MTA from which such wireless traffic is currently being transported from Southwestern Bell's Kansas City LATA tandem, is what was testified to by a wireless carrier's witness in TC-2002-57, and which methodology we understand has been agreed to and negotiated in traffic termination agreements submitted for approval with the Commission.

The tariffs bear today's issue date, and a proposed effective date of April 6, 2003. If any questions or concerns arise with respect to this tariff, please direct them to me.

Sincerely,

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Regulations, Rates and Charges applying to the provision of IntraMTA Wireless Termination within the operating territory of the

Northeast Missouri Rural Telephone Company

in the State of

Missouri

Issued: March 5, 2003

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A. Application of tariff

This tariff applies to intraMTA traffic originated by a Commercial Mobile Radio Service (CMRS) provider and terminated to end-user subscribers of the Telephone Company (i.e., wireless to wireline traffic) without the direct interconnection of the CMRS provider's and the Telephone Company's networks, and where the CMRS provider is physically connected with and delivers traffic to a third party ILEC(s) which in turn delivers the traffic to the Telephone Company.

B. General

- 1. This service is provided to Commercial Mobile Radio Service (CMRS) providers licensed by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).
- 2. Wireless Termination Service is limited to wireless-to-wireline traffic that originates and terminates within the same Major Trading Area (MTA) (i.e., intraMTA traffic)
- 3. Wireless Termination Service is not available to wireless-to wireline traffic that originates and terminates in two different MTAs (i.e., interMTA traffic). In those situations where a CMRS provider terminates interMTA traffic to the end-user subscribers of the Telephone Company then the rates, terms and conditions of the appropriate access tariff of the Telephone Company (either intrastate or interstate) will apply.
- 4. These Regulations and Rates are in addition to the Regulations, Rate and Charges in other Telephone Company tariffs.
- 5. This tariff applies except as otherwise provided in 1) an interconnection agreement between the CMRS provider and the Telephone Company approved by the Commission pursuant to the Act; or 2) a terminating traffic agreement between the CMRS provider and the Telephone Company approved by the Commission.
- 6. This tariff does not apply to traffic for which the CMRS provider has contracted or otherwise arranged with some other carrier (e.g. an IXC) to assume the responsibility for terminating the traffic.
- 7. The Company reserves the right to withdraw or cancel this tariff without notice upon final resolution of the appeal of the Commission's January 27,

2000 Report and Order in TT-99-433, et al., currently pending petition for review in Cole County, Missouri Circuit Court Case No. 00CV323379.

C. Definitions

- 1. Act the Communications Act of 1934, as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996, and as from time to time interpreted in the duly authorized rules and regulations of the Federal Communication Commission or a state regulatory commission.
- 2. CTUSR Cellular Terminating Usage Summary Report, provided by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, which tracks the minutes of Terminating Traffic for calls originating from CMRS providers and terminating to LECs.
- 3. CMRS Commercial Mobile Radio Service, as defined in the Act.
- 4. Commission Missouri Public Service Commission.
- 5. FCC Federal Communications Commission.
- 6. ILEC Incumbent local exchange telecommunications company, a local exchange telecommunications company authorized to provide basic local telecommunications service in a specific geographic area within the State of Missouri as of December 31, 1995, or a successor in interest to such a company.
- 7. Inter-MTA Traffic Wireless traffic originating on the network of a CMRS provider within one MTA and terminating to the Telephone Company's end-user subscribers in another MTA.
- 8. IntraMTA Traffic Wireless traffic originating on the network of a CMRS provider within a MTA and terminating to the Telephone Company's enduser subscribers in the same MTA.
- 9. IXC Interexchange telecommunications company, any company engaged in the provision of telecommunications service between points in two or more exchanges served by an ILEC.
- 10. LEC local exchange carrier, includes any provider of local exchange telecommunications service that holds a certificate of convenience and

necessity or certificate of service authority from the Missouri Public Service Commission.

- 11. MTA The Major Trading Area as defined in 47 C.F.R. paragraph 24-102 of the FCC Rules and Regulations.
- 12. Telephone Company Northeast Missouri Rural Telephone Company

D. Liability of Telephone Company

- 1. The Telephone Company's failure to provide or maintain service under this Tariff shall be excused by labor difficulties, government orders, civil commotions, acts of God and other circumstances beyond the Telephone Company's reasonable control.
- 2. The Telephone Company's liability, if any, for its gross negligence or willful misconduct is not limited by this Tariff. With respect to any other claim or suit, by a carrier or any other, for damages arising out of mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, errors or defects in transmission, the Telephone Company's liability, if any, shall not exceed an amount equivalent to the proportionate charge to the CMRS provider for the period of service during which such mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, errors or defects in transmission or service occurs and continues. Any such mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, errors, or defects in transmission of service, which are caused or contributed to by the negligence or willful act of the CMRS provider or which arise from the use of the CMRS provider's facilities or equipment, shall not result in the imposition of any liability whatsoever upon the Telephone Company.
- 3. The Telephone Company is not liable for any act or omission of other providers.

E. Records and Billing

1. The Telephone Company shall issue a bill to the CMRS provider based on the best information available to the Telephone Company including, but not limited to, records of terminating traffic created by the Telephone Company at its end office or tandem switch.

- 2. If possible, the CMRS provider will provide to the Telephone Company billing records in standard industry formats regarding calls it originates that terminate on the Telephone Company's network. Records will be provided at an individual call detail record, if possible, with sufficient information to identify the specific date and time of the call, the call duration, and the originating and terminating numbers.
- 3. If a CMRS provider is unable to provide billing records of the calls that it originates to the Telephone Company, the Telephone Company may use usage reports and/or records (such as a CTUSR) generated by a third party ILEC whose network is used to transit the traffic as the basis for billing the CMRS provider. If the CMRS provider is unable to provide billing records, the CMRS provider will have the responsibility of providing, on a quarterly basis (or as otherwise agreed to by the Telephone Company), a report to the Telephone Company providing the percentage of the CMRS provider's traffic terminated to the Telephone Company that is intraMTA or interMTA traffic. The report will also detail what percentage of the interMTA traffic is intrastate and what percentage is interstate. Such reports shall be based on studies of actual traffic originated by the CMRS provider and terminated to the Telephone Company. For each billing period for which a CMRS provider fails to provide such report, in advance, the Company will apply a forth-nine percent (49%) inter-MTA factor to the total traffic reported, for which traffic intrastate intraLATA switched access rates will be applied.
- 4. Reports regarding the percentages of intraMTA or interMTA traffic (and the intrastate or interstate jurisdiction of interMTA traffic) shall be based on a reasonable traffic study conducted by the CMRS providers and available to the Telephone Company upon request. Such studies shall be conducted no less frequently than once each quarter to ensure that the CMRS provider is using an accurate intraMTA/interMTA percentage. Upon mutual agreement between The Company and a CMRS provider a factor may be used to determine the proportion of interMTA traffic for a different period, as agreed. Such factor will be available to the Commission or its Staff upon request
- 5. The CMRS provider shall pay the Telephone Company for all charges in accordance with the rates set forth in this tariff, and for interMTA traffic the applicable switched access rate(s). Such payments are to be received within thirty (30) days from the effective date of the billing statement. The CMRS provider shall pay a late charge on any undisputed charges which

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are not paid within the thirty (30) day period. The rate of the late charge shall be the lesser of 1.5% per month or the maximum amount allowed by law. The CMRS provider shall pay the Telephone Company the reasonable amount of the Telephone Company's expenses related to collection of overdue bills, such amounts to include reasonable attorney fees.

F. Verification Reviews

The CMRS provider will be responsible for the accuracy and quality of its data as submitted to the Telephone Company. Upon reasonable written notice, the Telephone Company or its authorized representative shall have the right to conduct a review and

verification of the CMRS provider to give assurances of compliance with the provisions of this tariff. This includes on-site verification reviews at the CMRS provider's or vendor locations. The review may consist of an examination and verification of data involving records, systems, procedures and other information related to the traffic originated by the CMRS provider and terminated to the Telephone Company. The CMRS provider will provide the Telephone Company with reasonable access to such information as is necessary to determine amounts payable under this tariff.

G. Refusal and Discontinuance of Service

- 1. If the CMRS provider fails to comply with any of the terms and conditions of this tariff, including any payments to be made by it on the dates and times herein specified, the Telephone Company, may on thirty (30) day's written notice by Certified U.S. Mail to the CMRS provider, refuse additional applications for service and/or refuse to complete any pending orders for service by the non-complying CMRS provider at any time thereafter, or may discontinue the provision of the services to the non-complying CMRS provider at any time thereafter. In the case of such discontinuance, all applicable charges, including termination charges, shall become due.
- 2. If the Telephone Company does not refuse additional applications for service or discontinue the provision of the services involved on the date specified in the thirty (30) day's notice, and the CMRS provider's noncompliance continues, nothing contained herein shall preclude the Telephone Company's right to refuse additional applications for service or to discontinue the provision of the services to the non-complying CMRS provider without further notice.

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3. If the Telephone Company is unable to effectuate discontinuance of service at its own office it may request the assistance of other ILECs with whom the Telephone Company's network is connected. The Telephone Company may request such other ILEC(s) to take the necessary steps within its/their office(s) to disconnect service to the non-complying CMRS provider or to take such other actions as are necessary and appropriate to effectuate discontinuance of service as authorized by this tariff. This tariff specifically gives authority to such other ILEC's to respond to and honor a request to effect discontinuance of service from the CMRS provider to the Telephone Company without further regulatory authorization.

H. Rates and Charges

- 1. The rates and rate elements applicable to Inter-MTA Traffic are set forth in the Telephone Company's Switched Access Tariff. The rates for Termination of IntraMTA Traffic are shown in the Rates section below.
- 2. Rates for termination of IntraMTA Traffic:

\$ 0.0585 per minute of use (MOU)