BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

MCImetro Access Transmission Services, LLC, Brooks Fiber Communications of Missouri, Inc., and Intermedia Communications, Inc.)))
Complainants,)
V.) Case No. LC-2005-0080
CenturyTel of Missouri, Inc.,)
Respondent.)

JOINT MOTION TO SUSPEND PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

COME NOW McImetro Access Transmission Services, LLC, Brooks Fiber Communications of Missouri, Inc. and Intermedia Communications, Inc. (collectively referred to as "MCI") and CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC ("CenturyTel") and, pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.080 and 4 CSR 240-2.110(2), respectfully file their Joint Motion to suspend the procedural schedule previously ordered herein. In support of their Joint Motion, MCI and CenturyTel state as follows:

1. On January 31 and February 24, 2005, MCI and CenturyTel filed joint motions asking the Commission to modify the procedural schedules previously established for this case. MCI and CenturyTel stated that they are currently involved in discussions addressing the underlying issues involved in this proceeding, and that they would like more time to continue those negotiations before moving toward a hearing. No party objected to the joint motions, and the Commission issued its Orders modifying the procedural schedule on February 1 and February 25, 2005, respectively.

- 2. MCI and CenturyTel state that they continue to be involved in very productive discussions addressing the issues in this proceeding, and that they anticipate a resolution of those issues in the very near future. Accordingly, rather than continue to reserve hearing dates on the Commission's busy hearing calendar, the parties respectfully request that the current procedural schedule in this matter be suspended, including the filing of Rebuttal Testimony by CenturyTel due this date. MCI and CenturyTel will file a status report with the Commission no later than April 8, 2005, should the matter not be fully resolved prior to that date.
- 3. MCl and CenturyTel are authorized to state that the Staff of the Commission has no objection to the relief requested herein.

WHEREFORE, MCI and CenturyTel respectfully request that the current procedural schedule in this matter be suspended as proposed herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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