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PUBLIC SETVICE COMMISSION

Mr. Cecil I. Wright **Executive Secretary** Missouri Public Service Commission 301 West High Street, Suite 530 Jefferson City, MO 65101

Re: Case No. TW-97-333

Dear Mr. Wright:

I am writing to advise that it is still necessary for the Commission to rule on Southwestern Bell Telephone Company's May 1, 1997 Motion to Compel Data Requests. We served these data requests on the Mid-Missouri and Small Telephone Company Groups on April 14, 1997 with a Motion to Shorten Time for Responses. Although the Small Telephone Group has provided answers (some of which we believe are incomplete, conflicting or need updating), the Mid-Missouri Group has provided nothing beyond their original objections. Southwestern Bell needs the information it requested to prepare its Rebuttal Testimony in this case.

We therefore respectfully request the Commission to rule on our Motion and direct the Mid-Missouri and Small Telephone Groups to immediately answer our data requests.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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CC: Parties of Record