

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of MCImetro Access Transmission)	
Services, LLC, for Approval of an Amendment to Its)	
Agreement with CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC, Pursuant)	<u>Case No. LO-2005-0383</u>
to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of)	
1996.)	

ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE AND MAKING
CENTURYTEL OF MISSOURI, LLC, A PARTY

This order provides notice of this application to interested parties and joins the other party to the interconnection agreement, CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC, as a party to this proceeding.

On April 22, 2005, MCImetro Access Transmission Services, LLC, filed an application with the Commission for approval of an amendment to its interconnection agreement with CenturyTel under the provisions of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. MCImetro states that there are no unresolved issues and that the agreement complies with Section 252(e) of the Act in that it is not discriminatory to nonparty carriers and is consistent with the public interest. MCImetro requests expeditious approval of the agreement.

Although CenturyTel is a party to the agreement, it did not join in the application. Because CenturyTel is a necessary party to a full and fair adjudication of this matter, the Commission will add it as a party to this case.

The Act provides that an interconnection or resale agreement must be approved unless the state commission finds that the agreement discriminates against a

telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement, or that implementation of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.¹ Section 252(e)(4) of the Act provides that if the Commission has not approved an agreement within 90 days after submission, the agreement shall be deemed approved. Therefore, the Commission will proceed with this case expeditiously. The Commission finds that proper persons should be allowed 20 days from the issuance of this order to file a motion for hearing. The Commission also finds that notice of this application should be sent to all interexchange and local exchange telecommunications companies.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Commission's Data Center shall send notice to all interexchange and local exchange telecommunications companies.
2. That CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC, is made a party to this case.
3. That any party wishing to request a hearing shall do so by filing a pleading no later than May 16, 2005, with:

Dale Hardy Roberts, Secretary
Missouri Public Service Commission
Post Office Box 360
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

and send copies to:

Carl J. Lumley
Curtis, Heinz, Garrett & O'Keefe, PC
130 South Bemiston, Suite 200
Clayton, Missouri 63105

CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC
220 Madison Street
Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

¹ 47 U.S.C. § 252(e).

and:

Office of the Public Counsel
Post Office Box 2230
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

4. That the Staff of the Commission shall file a memorandum advising either approval or rejection of this agreement and giving the reasons therefor no later than May 26, 2005.

5. That this order shall become effective on April 26, 2005.

BY THE COMMISSION

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(S E A L)

Nancy Dippell, Senior Regulatory Law
Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 26th day of April, 2005.