

BEFORE THE MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of a Request to Declassify)
Certain Portions of Local Exchange Carriers) Case No. IO-2008-0227
Annual Reports to 4 CSR 240-3.540(5))

**BIG RIVER TELEPHONE COMPANY, LLC'S, SOCKET TELECOM, LLC'S AND XO
COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, INC.'S
APPLICATION TO INTERVENE**

COME NOW Big River Telephone Company, LLC ("Big River"), Socket Telecom, LLC ("Socket Telecom") and XO Communications Services, Inc. (XO) (collectively referred to as "Intervenors"), pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.075 and for their Application to Intervene state to the Commission:

1. Big River is a competitive facilities-based telecommunications company duly incorporated and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Delaware as a limited liability company and authorized to do business in the State of Missouri. Its principal Missouri offices are currently located at 24 S. Minnesota, Cape Girardeau, Missouri 63073. Big River is an authorized provider of intrastate switched and non-switched local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services in Missouri under certificates granted and tariffs approved by the Commission. Big River is also an authorized provider of interstate telecommunications services in Missouri under the jurisdiction of the Federal Communications Commission.

2. Socket Telecom is a competitive facilities-based telecommunications company duly incorporated and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Missouri, as a limited liability company. Its principal Missouri offices are currently located at 2703 Clark Avenue, Columbia, Missouri 65202. Socket is an authorized provider of intrastate switched and non-switched local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services in Missouri under certificates granted and tariffs approved by the Commission. Socket is also an authorized

provider of interstate telecommunications services in Missouri under the jurisdiction of the Federal Communications Commission.

3. XO is a competitive telecommunications company duly incorporated and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Delaware and authorized to do business in the State of Missouri as a foreign corporation. Its principal regulatory offices are currently located at 810 Jorie Boulevard, Oak Brook, Illinois 60523. XO is an authorized provider of intrastate local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services in Missouri under certificates granted and tariffs approved by the Commission. XO is also an authorized provider of interstate telecommunications services in Missouri under the jurisdiction of the Federal Communications Commission.

4. All communications and pleadings in this case should be directed to:

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5. On or about January 10, 2008, Embarq Missouri, Inc. ("Embarq") filed its Application to Declassify Certain Portions of Local Exchange Carriers' Annual Reports to the Commission, which was assigned Case No. IO-2008-0227.

6. Intervenors seek to intervene in this proceeding because the Commission's decision will affect their interests as a providers of telecommunications services, which have submitted reports that are subject to Embarq's request.

7. Intervenors interests as telecommunications companies are different from those of the general public. Furthermore, Intervenors' intervention in this proceeding is in the public interest because of Intervenors' participation and expertise in the telecommunications industry.

8. Based on Intervenors' understanding at this time of Embarq's request, the Intervenors are opposed to Embarq's Application.

WHEREFORE, Big River Telephone Company, LLC, Socket Telecom, LLC and XO Communications Services, Inc., respectfully request the Commission to issue an order granting Big River's, Socket Telecom's and XO's Application to Intervene.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of this document was emailed to the parties listed below on this 28th day of January, 2008.

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