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Cully Dale Missouri Public Service Commission 200 Madison Street PO Box 360 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-0360

Name Change Request of Sprint Long Distance, Inc. to Embarq Communications,

Inc.

Dear Mr. Dale:

Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.060(5) and (5)(A), Sprint Long Distance, Inc. ("SLDI") respectfully requests that the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") approve its name change from Sprint Long Distance, Inc. to Embarq Communications, Inc. ("Embarq").

On August 19, 2005, in Case No. LA-2006-0075, SLDI was granted a Certificate of Convenience and Authority to engage in the business of providing interexchange telecommunications services. SLDI's approved interexchange services tariff for Missouri is currently on file with the Commission. SLDI is in compliance with Annual Report requirements, and is current with its Missouri USF and Commission assessments.

Embarq Communications, Inc. is properly registered with the Missouri Secretary of State's office, and is "Active and in Good Standing" with that office. As required by 4 CSR 240-2.060(5)(B) attached is evidence of registration of the name change with the Missouri Secretary of State. In addition, a replacement tariff reflecting the Embarq name is attached in compliance with 4 CSR 240-2.060(5)(C). A Motion for Expedited Treatment is also attached requesting that the tariff be approved in 10 days, or on April 3, 2006. As the Motion recites, there is no change to the rates, terms or conditions of the tariff but merely a substitution of the name Embarq Communications, Inc. for Sprint Long Distance, Inc.

This name change will have no impact on customers or their service. Existing business and residential customers of SLDI have been provided notice of this name change. A copy of such notice has also been attached.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda K. Gardner

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cc: Bill Voight