

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Determination of Prices,)
Terms, and Conditions of Certain Unbundled) Case No. TO-2001-438
Network Elements.)

JOINT STATUS REPORT

SBC Missouri¹ and the Joint Sponsors² pursuant to the Missouri Public Service Commission's January 10, 2003 Order Directing Filing of the Status Report, respectfully submit the following report:

1. On December 4, 2002, the Commission granted SBC Missouri and the Joint Sponsors' Joint Motion to postpone a settlement conference that had been scheduled for December 9, 2002.

2. Following the Commission's grant of their Joint Motion, counsel for SBC Missouri and the Joint Sponsors conferred several times by telephone to make arrangements for a conference call among their subject matter experts to discuss the outstanding issues in this case. Due to witnessing commitments in other states and the intervening holidays, the parties scheduled this conference call for January 3, 2003. But because of an unexpected health issue that arose with one of the essential parties, this conference call was postponed by mutual agreement to January 13, 2003.

3. On January 13, 2003, subject matter experts from SBC Missouri and the Joint Sponsors met by conference call and held lengthy substantive discussions on the outstanding

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² AT&T Communications of the Southwest, Inc. MCImetro Access Transmission Services, LLC, Brooks Fiber Communications of Missouri, Inc., MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc., Birch Telecom of Missouri, Inc., XO Missouri, Inc., NuVox Communications of Missouri, Inc., McLeodUSA Telecommunications, Inc., TCG Kansas City, Inc., and TCG St. Louis, Inc. (collectively "Joint Sponsors"). Counsel for AT&T has been authorized to represent the other Joint Sponsor parties' concurrence in this Status Report.

issues in this case. SBC Missouri and Joint Sponsors believe they have made substantial progress in resolving a significant number of those outstanding issues.

4. SBC Missouri and the Joint Sponsors believe it would be appropriate to provide their subject matter experts additional time to allow them to conduct further discussions to continue to narrow the issues. SBC Missouri and the Joint Sponsors, by counsel, are also continuing discussions on the best way to present whatever issues that might remain to the Commission for resolution.

5. Unless otherwise directed by the Commission, SBC Missouri and the Joint Sponsors will jointly file a report on January 30, 2003 to inform the Commission of the results of their discussions and to provide a recommendation on how any remaining issues can be presented to the Commission for resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing document were served to all parties by e-mail on January 17, 2003.

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