

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

In the Matter of the Application of Birch Telecom of)
Missouri, Inc. dba NOW Communications as an)
Eligible Telecommunications Carrier in the State of)
Missouri for the Limited Purpose of Offering Lifeline)
Service to Qualified Households)

File No. TA-2013-0314

NOTICE CLOSING CASE

Issue Date: January 10, 2013

On November 13, 2012, Birch Telecom of Missouri, Inc., filed an application as described in the above caption. On January 7, 2013, Birch withdrew its application. No testimony has been filed or offered.

Commission rule 4 CSR 240-2.116(1) allows an applicant to withdraw its application without leave of the Commission if there has been no testimony filed or offered. Because there has been no testimony filed, the application is withdrawn and this case shall be closed.

BY THE COMMISSION



Steven C. Reed
Secretary

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Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 10th day of January, 2013.

Jones, Senior Regulatory Law Judge