

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Chariton Valley)
Telecom Corporation for Designation as a)
Telecommunications Carrier Eligible for Federal)
Universal Service Support Pursuant to Section 254)
of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.)

Case No. TO-2005-0423

ORDER DIRECTING FILING AND SUSPENDING PROCEDURAL **SCHEDULE**

Issue Date: November 18, 2005

Effective Date: November 18, 2005

On May 17, 2005, Chariton Valley Telecom Corporation filed an application with the Missouri Public Service Commission seeking designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier for Universal Service Support. The parties to this matter have all filed prepared testimony. On November 18, 2005, the company filed a notice of dismissal. Because surrebuttal testimony is due November 30, applicant requests that this matter be dismissed by November 23.

Commission rule 4 CSR 240-2.116 (1) states that once prepared testimony has been filed in a case, an application may be dismissed by leave of the Commission *or* by written consent of the adverse parties. Because applicant request that this matter be dismissed by November 23, the Commission will require those parties opposing the application to immediately file a statement setting forth their positions with regard to applicant's Notice of Dismissal.

Further, because the Commission does not wish Chariton Valley to use resources preparing surrebuttal testimony, the Commission will suspend the procedural schedule while the parties file position statements.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the parties in opposition to Chariton Valley Telecom Corporation's application to be designated as an eligible telecommunications carrier for Universal Service Support shall file not later than November 23, 2005, by 4:00 p.m., a statement as described in the body of this order.

2. That the procedural schedule in this matter is suspended.

3. That this order shall become effective on November 18, 2005.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', is written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

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Kennard L. Jones, Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 18th day of November, 2005.