

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of an Emergency Rulemaking)
to Amend 4 CSR 240-31.010 Missouri) **File No. TX-2012-0391**
Universal Service Fund)

NOTICE OF FINDING OF NECESSITY

Issue Date: May 17, 2012

The Commission is opening this file to amend the existing rules that set out the Missouri Universal Service Fund's Lifeline Program requirements. The Commission finds that the emergency amendment to the rule is necessary in order to conform to the new federal guidelines and requirements of the Universal Service Fund, a federal program that provides monetary support for telecommunications services for low-income households. Consequently, the Commission finds this emergency rulemaking is necessary to preserve a compelling governmental interest. Without a timely amendment, low-income households may be without telecommunications services which would create an immediate danger to the public health, safety and welfare.

BY THE COMMISSION



Steven C. Reed
Secretary

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Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 17th day of May, 2012.

Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge