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Re: Case No. TC-2002-57 et al.

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of the Small Telephone Company Group, please find an original and eight copies of the following documents:

1. Petition for Leave to File Brief as an Amicus Curiae; and

2. Amicus Curiae Brief of the Small Telephone Company Group.

Please see that these filings are brought to the attention of the appropriate Commission personnel. If there are any questions regarding the filings, please give me a call. I thank you in advance for your attention to and cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
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Northeast Missouri Rural Telephone Company and Modern Telecommunications Company,) Missouri Public) Service Commission
Petitioners,))
VS.	,))
Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Southwestern Bell Wireless (Cingular), Voicestream Wireless (Western Wireless), Aerial Communications, Inc., CMT Partners (Verizon Wireless), Sprint Spectrum LP, United States Cellular Corp., and Ameritech Mobile Communications, Inc.,	,) Case No. TC-2002-57et al.)))))
Respondents.	,)

PETITION FOR LEAVE TO FILE BRIEF AS AN AMICUS CURIAE

Comes now the Small Telephone Company Group (STCG), pursuant to

Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.075(6) and for its Petition for Leave to File Brief

as an Amicus Curiae states as follows:

- 1. The member companies of the STCG are listed in Attachment A.
- 2. This case involves issues related to the termination of wireless-

originated telecommunications traffic to Missouri's small incumbent local

exchange companies. Specifically, it addresses at least two issues which directly

affect the member companies of the STCG: (1) wireless-originated traffic that is

delivered to small Missouri ILECs which have in place Commission-approved

wireless termination service tariffs; and (2) wireless-originated traffic that was delivered to small Missouri ILECs prior to the approval of the tariffs and in the absence of a compensation or interconnection agreement.

WHEREFORE, the STCG respectfully requests that the Commission grant leave to file the attached brief as an *Amicus Curiae* and grant such other relief as is appropriate in the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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