BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of)	
X5 OpCo LLC for)	
Certificate of Service Authority to Provide)	
Interexchange and Non-Switched Local)	Case No. XA-2016-0111
Exchange Telecommunications Services)	
in the State of Missouri and to Classify Said)	
Services and the Company as Competitive)	

RESPONSE TO STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW X5 OpCo LLC ("Applicant" or "X5 OpCo"), by its undersigned counsel, and files this Response to the Staff Recommendation filed in this matter on December 1, 2015:

X5 OpCo LLC has no objection to the conditions recommended by Staff.

X5 OpCo filed a *Motion for Expedited Treatment* in this matter contemporaneously with the filing of its *Application*. That motion requests an effective date of the Commission's certificate order in this case on or before December 15, 2015, when the transaction is scheduled to close by which X5 OpCo will obtain the assets, including Missouri customer accounts, of NovaTel Ltd., Inc. Since X5 OpCo has no objections to the Staff Recommendation herein, and it is Staff's recommendation that the Commission grant the *Application* in this case, X5 OpCo urges the Commission to issue an order as soon as reasonably possible granting the *Application*.

WHEREFORE, Applicant, X5 OpCo LLC, respectfully requests the Missouri Public Service Commission to expeditiously grant it Certificate of Service Authority to provide competitive interexchange and non-switched local exchange telecommunications services within the State of Missouri and classifying it as a competitive telecommunications company providing competitive services; and that such order bear an effective date on or before December 15, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document has been served electronically on the Staff Counsel's office at staffcounselservice@psc.mo.gov, and the Office of Public Counsel at opcservice@ded.mo.gov, this 2nd day of December 2015.

/s/ William D. Steinmeier

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