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

In the Matter of the Amount Assessed on Companies to Fund the Missouri Universal Service Fund

File No. TO-2014-

## MOTION TO ALTER ASSESSMENT

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**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), on behalf of the Missouri Universal Service Board ("MoUSB"), and for its *Motion* states:

1. Section 392.248 RSMo 2000 establishes the MoUSF "to ensure just, reasonable and affordable rates for reasonably comparable essential local telecommunications services throughout the state." 4 CSR 240-31.060(7) provides that the MoUSB may implement changes in assessment levels as is appropriate to adjust the fund's receipts to meet its funding obligations.

2. Section 392.248.3 RSMo 2000 states that the Commission shall establish the level of universal fund funding requirement necessary to fund the purposes set forth in the statute.

3. The Staff requests that the Commission open a file in which to place the Staff's memorandum outlining the options the Staff believes are available and to receive responses thereto from interested persons.

4. The Staff requests that it be relieved of serving this pleading on anyone, as there are no parties to this matter, and asks that the Commission electronically notify all telecommunications carriers (including IXCs, CLECs, and ILECs) and all IVoIP providers of this matter.

WHEREFORE, the Staff moves that the Commission open a docket to consider changing the assessment rate and instruct the Data Center to notify all telecommunications companies and IVoIP providers of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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