BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Determination of the Weighted Statewide Average Rate of Nonwireless Basic Local Telecommunication Services

File No. TO-2011-0073

ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION TO INTERVENE

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Issue Date: October 19, 2010

Effective Date: October 19, 2010

On September 22, 2010, the Commission issued an order establishing this case, directing notice, and setting an October 7, 2010 intervention deadline. On September 30, 2010, an application to intervene was filed by CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC d/b/a CenturyLink (CenturyTel), Spectra Communications Group, LLC d/b/a CenturyLink (Spectra), and Embarq Missouri Inc., d/b/a CenturyLink (Embarq). In support of their application, CenturyTel, Spectra, and Embarq state that their interests in this case differ from those of the general public and that no other party will adequately represent or protect those interests. The applicants are unsure, at this time, of the positions they may take in the case.

No responses were filed to the application to intervene, and the deadline for doing so has now passed. The Commission finds that the application meets the requirements of 4 CSR 240-2.175. CenturyTel, Spectra, and Embarq shall be granted intervention.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Application to Intervene of CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC d/b/a CenturyLink, Spectra Communications Group, LLC d/b/a CenturyLink, and Embarq Missouri Inc., d/b/a CenturyLink, is granted.

2. This order shall become effective upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION

Steven C. Reed Secretary

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Nancy Dippell, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 19th day of October, 2010.