THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners:	Thomas E	Thomas E. Wright, Chairman		STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
	Michael C. Moffet Joseph F. Harkins			JUL 0 8 2009
In the Matter of the Application of	of)		WBT-019-PDR
Southwestern Bell Telephone Co	mpany for)	Docket No. 10-S'	WBT-019-PDR
Price Deregulation of Residential	l)		
Telecommunications Services in	the)		
Abilene, Chanute, Clay Center, E	Ellsworth,)		
Emporia, Independence, Minneap	oolis,)		
Neodesha and Parsons, Kansas E	xchanges)		
Pursuant to K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 60	6-)		
2005(q)(1).)		

PETITION TO INTERVENE

COMES NOW, the Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board ("CURB") and moves the Corporation Commission of the State of the Kansas ("Commission") for an order permitting it to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding. In support of its petition, CURB states and alleges as follows:

- 1. CURB is composed of five volunteer consumer advocate members and is statutorily authorized to represent the interests of Kansas residential and small commercial ratepayers in utility proceedings.
- 2. CURB's Consumer Counsel has been given the discretion to intervene and represent the interests of Kansas residential and small commercial ratepayers in any utility proceeding before the Commission under K.S.A. 66-1223 et seq.
- 3. On July 6, 2009, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company filed an application with the Kansas Corporation Commission for the purpose of Price Deregulation of Residential Telecommunications Services in the Abilene, Chanute, Clay Center, Ellsworth, Emporia,

Independence, Minneapolis, Neodesha and Parsons, Kansas Exchanges Pursuant to K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 66-2005(q)(1).

4. CURB is requesting permission to intervene in this docket to represent the interests of

the residential and small commercial ratepayers of Kansas. The rates paid and the service received

by those customers will or may be affected by any Commission order or activity in this proceeding.

5. The representation of CURB's interests in this proceeding by existing parties is or

may be inadequate.

6. The residential and small commercial ratepayers whose interests CURB represents

will or may be bound by any Commission order or activity in this proceeding and will or may be

adversely affected thereby.

WHEREFORE, CURB RESPECTFULLY REQUESTS THE Commission grant its Petition for

Intervention in this Docket.

Respectfully submitted,

C. Steven Rarrick #13127

Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board

1500 SW Arrowhead Road

Topeka, KS 66604

(785) 271-3200

(785) 271-3116 Fax

2

VERIFICATION

STATE OF KANSAS)	
)	ss:
COUNTY OF SHAWNEE)	

I, C. Steven Rarrick, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon his oath states:

That he is an attorney for the above named petitioner; that he has read the above and foregoing Intervention, and, upon information and belief, states that the matters therein appearing are true and correct.

C. Steven Rarrick

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 8th day of July, 2009.

DELLA J. SMITH

Notary Public - State of Kansas

My Appt. Expires January 26, 2013

Notary of Public

My Commission expires: <u>01-26-2013.</u>

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

10-SWBT-019-PDR

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was placed in the United States mail, postage prepaid, or hand-delivered this 8th day of July, 2009, to the following:

COLLEEN HARRELL, LITIGATION COUNSEL KANSAS CORPORATION COMMISSION 1500 SW ARROWHEAD ROAD TOPEKA, KS 66604-4027 Fax: 785-271-3354 c.harrell@kcc.ks.gov **** Hand Deliver ****

BRUCE A NEY, ATTORNEY, ROOM 515 SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE CO. D/B/A AT&T 220 EAST SIXTH STREET TOPEKA, KS 66603 Fax: 785-276-1948 bruce.ney@att.com

Della Smith