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February 3, 2004

Matt Blunt Secretary of State Administrative Rules Division 600 West Main Street Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Blunt,

Re:

4 CSR 240-32.190 Definitions – Standards for Providing Caller Identification Blocking Service

### CERTIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULE

I do hereby certify that the attached is an accurate and complete copy of the order of rulemaking lawfully submitted by the Department of Economic Development, Public Service Commission on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February 2004.

Statutory Authority: Sections 386.040, 386.250, and 392.200, RSMo 2000.

If there are any questions regarding the content of this order of rulemaking, please contact:

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BY THE COMMISSION

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

Enclosures: Order of Rulemaking – Rule 4 CSR 240-32.190 (Standards for Providing Caller Identification Blocking Service); electronic copy on 3.5" diskette; rule Transmittal.



### Title 4 - DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTER 0 3 2004 Division 240 - Public Service Commission SECRETARY OF STATE Chapter 32 - Telecommunications Service ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

#### ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the public service commission by sections 386.040, 386.250, and 392.200, RSMo, the commission adopts a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-32.190 Standards for Providing Caller Identification Blocking Service is adopted.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed rule was published in the Missouri Register on December 15, 2003 (28 Mo Reg 2222). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed rule, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed rule becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the Code of State Regulations.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The public service commission received three comments on the proposed rule. AT&T Communication of the Southwest, Inc. stated that it opposed the last sentence of section (2), which prohibits any telecommunications company from providing per-line blocking to anyone except specified agencies. The staff of the commission said it was indifferent about that sentence, but expressed general support for the proposed rule. The office of the public counsel stated that it supports the rule.

COMMENT: AT&T opposed the provision that would prohibit companies from providing per-line blocking to anyone other than law enforcement agencies and certain domestic violence intervention agencies or their employees. AT&T said that although its own present tariff contains restrictions like those in the proposed rule, it believes that, in a competitive marketplace, it should be free to offer products that differentiate it from its competitors, so that its customers can have a choice of options and services. AT&T also said that this limitation on per-line blocking would increase its cost of doing business.

COMMENT: The staff of the commission supported the proposed rule. It said the proposed rule complements a rule of the federal communications commission, and that it outlines the basic requirements that the commission established in a 1993 case, which authorized Southwestern Bell Telephone Company to offer a caller identification service to its customers. The staff said that all, or nearly all, local telecommunications companies presently comply with the requirements laid down in that 1993 case. The staff said the proposed rule would not unduly restrain the affected law enforcement agencies and domestic violence centers, and that there would be very little or no fiscal impact on any telecommunications company, business or individual. The staff said it is unclear whether the commission would now reject a telecommunications company's request to offer perline blocking to other parties, and said it is indifferent about whether the last sentence of subsection (2) should be removed.

COMMENT: The office of the public counsel stated that the proposed rule is necessary for the health, safety, welfare and convenience of the ratepayers and the public. It also stated that it has sought a requirement that per-line blocking be available to all customers for an additional charge, but said that that proposal is beyond the scope of this rule.

RESPONSE: The proposed rule is consistent with the policy that the commission established in 1993, which has been followed by virtually all local telecommunications companies since then. It provides benefits to members of the public, does not unduly burden the affected agencies, and there is no evidence that this rule would have an appreciable fiscal impact. Allowing telecommunications companies to provide per-line blocking to others would dilute the value of the service and is not advisable.