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In the Matter of the Application of Socket Internet)

Services Corporation for a Certificate of Authority) Case No. TA-98-
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to Provide Competitive Intrastate Interexchange)

Telecommunications Service in the State of Missouri.)

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ORDER APPROVING INTEREXCHANGE CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**AUTHORITY AND ORDER APPROVING TARIFF**

Socket Internet Services Corporation (SISC) applied to the Public Service Commission on October 1, 1997, for a certificate of service authority to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in Missouri under Section 392.440, RSMo 1994. SISC asked the Commission to classify it as a competitive company and waive certain statutes and rules as authorized by Sections 392.361 and 392.420.

SISC is a Missouri corporation, with its principal office located at 607 Jackson Street, Columbia, Missouri.

The Commission issued a Notice of Applications and Opportunity to Intervene on October 14, directing parties wishing to intervene in the case to file their requests by October 29. The requirement for a hearing is met when the opportunity for hearing has been provided and no proper party has requested the opportunity to present evidence. State ex rel. Rex Deffenderfer Enterprises, Inc. v. Public Service Commission, 776 S.W.2d 494, 496 (Mo. App. 1989). Since no one has asked permission to intervene or requested a hearing in this case, the Commission may grant the relief requested based on the verified application.

SISC filed a proposed tariff in conjunction with its application and filed substitute sheets on October 30. The tariff's effective date is November 17. SISC's tariff describes the rates, rules, and regulations it intends to use, identifies SISC as a competitive company, and lists the waivers requested. SISC intends to provide interexchange telecommunications services including 1+ direct dial, 800 number, directory assistance, and travel card services.

In its Memorandum filed on November 4 the Staff of the Commission stated that SISC's proposed services are similar to existing IXC offerings. Staff recommended that the Commission grant SISC a certificate of service authority, competitive status, and waiver of the statutes and rules listed in the Notice. Staff recommended that the Commission approve the proposed tariff to become effective on November 17.

The Commission finds that competition in the intrastate interexchange telecommunications market is in the public interest and SISC should be granted a certificate of service authority. The Commission finds that the services SISC proposes to offer are competitive and SISC should be classified as a competitive company. The Commission is of the opinion that waiving the statutes and Commission rules set out in Ordered Paragraph 2 is reasonable and not detrimental to the public interest.

The Commission determines, by authority of Section 392.470, that SISC should comply with the following regulatory requirements as reasonable and necessary conditions of certification:

- (1) SISC must comply with reasonable requests by Staff for financial and operating data to allow

regulatory rules shall be waived:

Statutes

392.240(1) - ratemaking

392.270 - valuation of property (ratemaking)

392.280 - depreciation accounts

392.290 - issuance of securities

392.310 - stock and debt issuance

392.320 - stock dividend payment

392.340 - reorganization(s)

392.330, RSMo Supp. 1996 - issuance of securities,
debts and notes

Commission Rules

4 CSR 240-10.020 - depreciation fund income

4 CSR 240-30.010(2)(C) - rate schedules

4 CSR 240-30.040 - Uniform System of Accounts

4 CSR 240-32.030(1)(B) - exchange boundary maps

4 CSR 240-32.030(1)(C) - record-keeping

4 CSR 240-32.030(2) - in-state record-keeping

4 CSR 240-32.050(3) - local office record-keeping

4 CSR 240-32.050(4) - telephone directories

4 CSR 240-32.050(5) - call intercept

4 CSR 240-32.050(6) - telephone number changes

4 CSR 240-32.070(4) - public coin telephone

4 CSR 240-33.030 - minimum charges rule

4 CSR 240-33.040(5) - financing fees

Staff to monitor the intraLATA toll market. ' 386.320.3.

(2) SISC must file tariffs containing rules and regulations applicable to customers, a description of the services provided, and a list of rates associated with those services in accordance with 4 CSR 240-30.010 and Section 392.220, RSMo Supp. 1996.

(3) SISC may not unjustly discriminate between its customers. " 392.200, RSMo Supp. 1996, 392.400.

(4) SISC must comply with all applicable rules of the Commission except those specifically waived by this order. " 386.570, 392.360.

(5) SISC must file a Missouri-specific annual report. " 392.210, 392.390.1.

(6) SISC must comply with jurisdictional reporting requirements as set out in each local exchange company's access services tariffs. ' 392.390.3.

(7) SISC must submit to the Staff, on a confidential basis, a copy of the jurisdictional report it submits to local exchange companies. The report must be submitted within ten days of the date on which it is submitted to the local exchange company.

The Commission finds that SISC's proposed tariff details the services, equipment, and pricing it proposes to offer, and is similar to tariffs approved for other Missouri certificated interexchange carriers. The Commission finds that the proposed tariff filed on October 1 shall be approved as amended to become effective on November 17.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That Socket Internet Services Corporation is granted a certificate of service authority to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in the state of Missouri, subject to the conditions of certification set out above.

2. That Socket Internet Services Corporation is classified as a competitive telecommunications company. The following statutes and

3. That the tariff filed by Socket Internet Services Corporation on October 1, 1997, is approved as amended to become effective on November 17, 1997. The tariff approved is:

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4. That this order shall become effective on November 17, 1997.

5. That this case shall be closed on November 18, 1997.

BY THE COMMISSION

Cecil I. Wright

Executive Secretary

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Lumpe, Ch., Crumpton, Drainer

and Murray, CC., concur.

Randles, Regulatory Law Judge