

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Tariff Filing of Ozark)	
Telephone Company to Add Provisions for)	<u>Case No. IT-2005-0428</u>
Low-Income and Disabled Assistance Through)	Tariff No. YI-2005-1006
the Missouri Universal Service Fund and to)	
Add a Surcharge)	

ORDER APPROVING UNCONTESTED EXPEDITED TARIFF

Issue Date: May 24, 2005

Effective Date: May 26, 2005

On May 18, 2005, Ozark Telephone Company filed a motion for expedited treatment regarding a tariff that it filed along with its motion. The motion explains that Ozark's tariff will authorize it to provide low-income and disabled assistance to its customers through the Missouri Universal Service Fund, and to collect a Missouri Universal Service Fund surcharge from its customers. The Commission has allowed companies such as Ozark to begin billing such a surcharge beginning on May 1, 2005. The motion indicates that Ozark did not file its tariff to implement the surcharge earlier because of an error by its counsel. The tariff indicates that it will become effective on June 17, but Ozark requests that the Commission approve the tariff to become effective as quickly as possible.

The Commission's Staff filed a recommendation regarding the proposed tariff on May 23. Staff recommends that the Commission grant Ozark's request for expedited treatment and approve the tariff at the Commission's earliest convenience.

Based on the recommendation of its Staff, the Commission finds good cause to approve the submitted tariff on an expedited basis.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the following tariff sheets filed May 18, 2005, and assigned Tariff No. YI-2005-1006, are approved to become effective on May 26, 2005:

P.S.C. Mo. No. 1

Section 4

1st Revised Sheet No. 25 Cancels Original Sheet No. 25
1st Revised Sheet No. 26, Cancels Original Sheet No. 26
1st Revised Sheet No. 27, Cancels Original Sheet No. 27

2. That this order shall become effective on May 26, 2005.
3. That this case may be closed on May 27, 2005.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

(S E A L)

Morris L. Woodruff, Senior Regulatory Law
Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 24th day of May, 2005.