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Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge
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P.O. Box 360
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TE-2000-730

Missouri Public
Service Commission

Re: In the Matter of the filing of Fidelity Telephone Company's Annual Report

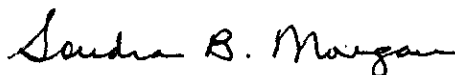
Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed please find the original plus eight (8) copies of Motion for Leave to File Annual Report Out of Time for filing on behalf of Fidelity Telephone Company in the above referenced matter. Please bring this matter to the attention of the appropriate Commission personnel. A copy of the Annual Report is attached.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

BRYDON, SWEARENGEN & ENGLAND P.C.

By: 
Sondra B. Morgan

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Enclosures

cc: Office of Public Counsel
Fidelity Telephone Company

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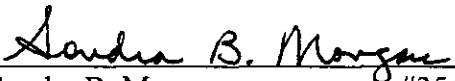
**MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE
ANNUAL REPORT OUT OF TIME**

Comes now Fidelity Telephone Company ("Fidelity" or "Company") and for its Motion for Leave to File Annual Report Out-of-Time states to the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") as follows:

1. Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-10.080(1), all public utilities subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission shall file an annual report on or before April 15. Fidelity is a telecommunications company subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.
2. Due to the recent certification of several new competitive companies and the fact that the family of Fidelity companies now totals thirteen (13) companies, the year end audit of the companies was more complicated and consumed more time than in the past. Because the audit took more time than was originally scheduled, Fidelity was not able to complete its Annual Report in time to file with the Commission by April 15. Fidelity respectfully requests that the Commission grant its Motion for Leave to File Annual Report Out-of-Time and accept the report for filing. No party should be prejudiced by the inadvertent delay.

Wherefore, Fidelity respectfully requests that the Commission grant its Motion for Leave to File Annual Report Out of Time and accept the attached 1999 Annual Report for filing.

Respectfully submitted,

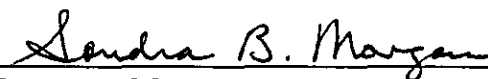

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was hand-delivered this 3rd day of May, 2000 to:

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