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Service Commission

Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts  
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge  
Missouri Public Service Commission  
P.O. Box 360  
Jefferson City, MO 65102

*TE-2000-711*

**Re: In the Matter of the filing of Ellington Telephone Company d/b/a McCormack-Missouri's Annual Report**

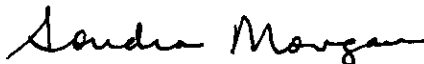
Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed please find the original plus fourteen (14) copies of Motion for Leave to File Annual Report Out of Time for filing on behalf of Ellington Telephone Company, d/b/a McCormack-Missouri in the above referenced matter. A copy of the Annual Report is attached. Please bring this matter to the attention of the appropriate Commission personnel.

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  
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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
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**MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE  
ANNUAL REPORT OUT OF TIME**

Comes now Ellington Telephone Company d/b/a McCormack - Missouri ("McCormack - Missouri" 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:

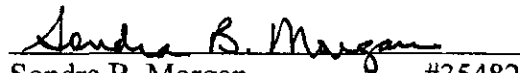
1. Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-10.080(1), all public utilities subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission shall file an annual report on or before April 15. McCormack - Missouri is a telecommunications company subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission. McCormack - Missouri is a fictitious name of Ellington Telephone Company used in the provision of long distance service to its customers and all of the operations of McCormack - Missouri are recorded as non-regulated on the books of Ellington Telephone Company. For this reason, the Annual Report filed by McCormack - Missouri does not contain stand-alone financial information.

2. Since April 15 fell on a Saturday this year, McCormack - Missouri's accountant assumed that the date for filing the annual report would be extended to the next business day which was Monday, April 17. McCormack - Missouri's annual report was mailed on the 17th, however, the report was returned by the Commission as not being timely filed. McCormack - Missouri 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, McCormack - Missouri 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,

  
Sondra B. Morgan #35482

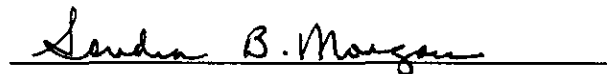
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d/b/a McCormack - Missouri

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was hand-delivered this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2000 to:

Mr. Mike Dandino  
Office of the Public Counsel  
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Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

  
Sondra B. Morgan