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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Petition of DIECA )  
Communications Inc., d/b/a Covad Communications )  
Company for Arbitration of Interconnection ) Case No. TO-2000-322  
Rates, Terms, Conditions and Related Arrange- )  
ments with Southwestern Bell Telephone Company. )

**NOTICE REGARDING DEPOSITIONS**

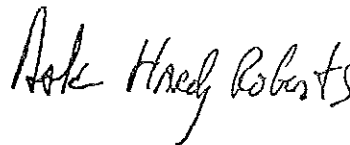
On January 11, 2000, DIECA Communications Inc., d/b/a Covad Communications Company (Covad), filed its Request for Depositions. This request indicates that Covad desires to depose Southwestern Bell Telephone Company's cost witness and outside plant witness on January 18, 2000.

Covad's request, at paragraph 5, correctly describes the Commission's procedural rules applicable to this matter. Under 4 CSR 240-2.090 depositions are an authorized method of discovery in any proceeding before the Commission. The Commission's June 17, 1996, letter regarding arbitration procedures expressly stated that arbitration proceedings are to be conducted similar to contested case proceedings.

The Commission's action on Covad's request is not required. The parties may proceed under the Commission's rule governing discovery.

**BY THE COMMISSION**

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**Dale Hardy Roberts  
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 14th day of January, 2000.

Thornburg, Regulatory Law Judge