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Service Commission

**Re: Southwestern Bell Telephone Company,
Case No. TO-2001-467**

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced case, please find the original and 8 copies of the **Motion to Extend Procedural Schedule**. I have on this date mailed, faxed, and/or hand-delivered the appropriate number of copies to all counsel of record. Please "file" stamp the extra-enclosed copy and return it to this office.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Counsel of Record

Enclosure

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

Missouri Public
Service Commission

In the matter of the investigation of the)
state of competition in the exchanges of) Case No. TO-2001-467
Southwestern Bell Telephone Company.)

MOTION TO EXTEND PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

COMES NOW the Office of the Public Counsel (Public Counsel) and respectfully moves the Missouri Public Service Commission to make and enter its order extending the procedural schedule in this case for two weeks. Public Counsel, the Staff and Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWBT) have been discussing how to obtain all data requested from SWBT and CLECs via the Staff's data requests and the potential for identifying uncontested issues or grounds for the settlement of issues.

To that end, Public Counsel proposes to extend the procedural schedule to see if those discussions can produce any results and allow the parties to incorporate the data requested in the outstanding data requests into the rebuttal and surrebuttal testimony.

Public Counsel proposes to extend the time to file rebuttal testimony from Thursday, August 9, 2001 to Thursday, August 23, 2001; to extend the deadline for filing of surrebuttal testimony from Tuesday, September 11, 2001 to Tuesday, September 25, 2001; and reschedule the hearing dates from September 24-28, 2001 to October 9-12, 2001. The dates for the filing of issues and position statements would be adjusted to the new schedule. (Issues and Witness list filed September 28th and position statements October 2nd) The prehearing scheduled for August 24th can remain unchanged.

Public Counsel has contacted counsel of record concerning this proposed extension and the following parties have advised that they do not object to this requested modification of the procedural schedule: McCleod Communications, IP, Nuvox, Inc., AT&T Communications of the Southwest, Inc., Allegience, WorldCom, OX, Mpower, Sprint, Southwestern Bell Telephone and the PSC Staff. Counsel for SWBT indicated that if the hearing dates were postponed past October 12, 2001 he would have significant scheduling problems and could not agree to hearing dates beyond that date in October. No other counsel voiced any objection to the extension of the schedule.

WHEREFORE, Public Counsel requests that the Public Service Commission modify the procedural schedule as suggested in this motion.

Respectfully submitted,


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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing was mailed via U. S. Mail postage prepaid on this 12th day of August, 2001 to the counsel of record on the attached service list.



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