

CASE NO: TA-2000-817

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Enclosed find certified copy of an ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,

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Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 27th day of July, 2000.

In the Matter of the Application of Spectra Communications Group, LLC, for Designation as a) Telecommunications Company Carrier Eligible for) Federal Universal Service Support Pursuant to Section 254 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

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ORDER DESIGNATING SPECTRA COMMUNICATIONS GROUP, LLC, AS ELIGIBLE CARRIER

Spectra Communications Group, LLC (Spectra), filed an application on June 14, 2000, requesting designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier pursuant to Section 254 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and Federal Communications Commission regulations 47 CFR 54.201 et seq. Spectra states that it provides the services supported by federal universal service support using a combination of its own facilities and leased facilities, and advertises the availability of these services. On June 20, 2000, Spectra filed an amendment to its application providing additional information to comply with Commission rules.

The Commission gave notice and an opportunity to intervene to all certificated Missouri local exchange and interexchange carriers. No entity moved to intervene or requested a hearing. The requirement for a hearing is met when the opportunity for hearing has been provided and no proper party has requested the opportunity to present evidence. State ex rel.

Rex Deffenderfer Enterprises, Inc. v. Public Service Commission, 776 S.W.2d 494, 496 (Mo. App. 1989). Since no one has asked permission to intervene or requested a hearing, the Commission may grant the relief requested based on the application.

On July 24, 2000, the Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed its recommendation. Staff stated that it had reviewed Spectra's application and determined that Spectra meets each of the provisions of Federal Communications Commission regulations 47 CFR 54.201(d). Staff recommends that the Commission grant the relief requested in the application.

The Commission has reviewed the application and the Staff recommendation, and finds that Spectra has met the requirements and that it is in the public interest for Spectra to be designated as a telecommunications carrier eligible to receive federal universal service support. The Commission will grant the relief requested in Spectra's application.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That Spectra Communications Group, LLC, is eligible under the provisions of 47 CFR 54.201(d) to receive federal universal service fund support.

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2. That this order shall become effective on August 8, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(SEAL)

Drainer, Schemenauer, and Simmons, CC., concur. Lumpe, Ch., and Murray, C., absent.

Dippell, Senior Regulatory Law Judge

•*	ALJ/Sec'y: <u>Dippell/Pope</u> <u>7-76</u> <u>TA-200-817</u> Date Circulated <u>CASE NO.</u>
	Lumpe, Chair Lumpe, Chair Drainer, Vice Chair Murray, Commissioner Schemenaner, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner 7/27 Agenda Date

OAS Action taken: Must Vote Not Later Than

STATE OF MISSOURI OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and

I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this <u>27th</u> day of July 2000.

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Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

