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

TE-2000-686

Re: In the Matter of the filing of McDonald County Telephone Company'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 McDonald County Telephone Company in the above referenced matter. Also enclosed is McDonald County Telephone Company's Annual Report. 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:

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In the Matter of the filing of McDonald County Telephone Company's Annual Report.

Case No. TE-2000-686

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE ANNUAL REPORT OUT OF TIME

Comes now McDonald County Telephone Company ("McDonald County" 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. McDonald County Telephone is a telecommunications company subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.
- 2. Since April 15 fell on a Saturday this year, McDonald County's accountant assumed that the date for filing the annual report would be extended to the next business day which was Monday, April 17. McDonald County's annual report was mailed on the 17th, however, the report was returned by the Commission as not being timely filed. McDonald County 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, McDonald County 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

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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 27th day of April; 2000 to:

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