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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Ellington Telephone)
Company's Digital Channel Service) **Case No. TT-2000-238**
Tariff Filing.) **Tariff File No. 200000237**

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

On September 15, 1999, Ellington Telephone Company (Ellington) filed proposed revisions to its P.S.C. Mo. No. 3 Local Exchange Service Tariffs. The tariff revisions indicate an effective date of October 15, 1999. The proposed tariff revisions were offered to introduce a new service described as Digital Channel Service available to Internet service providers.

On September 16, 1999, Ellington filed a Motion for Expedited Approval. That motion indicates that the Digital Channel Service that it proposes to offer has already been approved by the Commission for provision by other telephone companies. Ellington's motion also indicates that it has two customers who are waiting to purchase this service. Ellington requests that the Commission make its tariff effective on October 1, 1999 or as soon after that date as possible.

On September 21, the Commission issued an Order Establishing Time for Filing of Recommendation, directing the Staff of the Commission (Staff) to file its recommendation regarding Ellington's tariff no later than September 28. On September 24, Staff filed a memorandum indicating

that Staff has reviewed the tariff sheets submitted by Ellington and recommends that the Commission approve them as submitted, to become effective on October 1.

The Commission has reviewed the tariff sheets and Staff's recommendation and finds that the tariff sheets should be approved to become effective on October 1.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

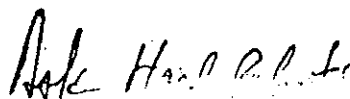
1. That the tariff sheets filed by Ellington Telephone Company, on September 15, 1999, and assigned tariff number 200000237, are approved to become effective on October 1, 1999. The tariff sheets approved are:

Ellington Telephone Company P.S.C. MO. No. 3
Local Exchange Service Tariff
Section I Original Sheet No. 13
Section I Original Sheet No. 14
Section I Original Sheet No. 15
Section I Original Sheet No. 16
Section I Original Sheet No. 17

2. That this order shall become effective on October 1, 1999.

3. That this case may be closed on October 2, 1999.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(S E A L)

Morris L. Woodruff, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.120(1), (November 30, 1995) and Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 28th day of September, 1999.

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