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

In the Matter of the Application of AccuTel of)
Texas, Inc., for a Certificate of Service)
Authority to Provide Basic Local Telecommunica-) Case No. TA-2000-410
tions Service in Portions of the State of)
Missouri and to Classify Said Services and the)
Company as competitive. :

ORDER CANCELING PREHEARING CONFERENCE

AccuTel of Texas, Inc. (AccuTel), filed an application on January 10, 2000, for a certificate of service authority to provide basic local exchange telecommunications services in the state of Missouri under 4 CSR 240-2.060.

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWBT) filed an application to intervene on January 19, 2000, which the Commission granted by order issued on February 25, 2000. That order also set a prehearing conference for March 8, 2000, beginning at 10:00 a.m., and required that a proposed procedural schedule be filed no later than March 28, 2000.

On March 6, 2000, AccuTel filed a Request for Cancellation of Prehearing Conference. AccuTel indicates that it anticipates negotiation of a stipulation to resolve this matter, obviating the need for a prehearing conference and procedural schedule. The company further states that the process of negotiating a stipulation and agreement should be completed in time for a stipulation to be filed no later than March 28, 2000, the deadline for submission of a procedural

schedule. The request further notes that counsel for Staff and SWBT have indicated they do not oppose AccuTel's request for cancellation or postponement of the prehearing conference.

As it appears that a prehearing conference is no longer necessary to move this matter to prompt resolution, the prehearing conference set for March 8, 2000, shall be canceled. The parties shall file either a proposed procedural schedule or a stipulation and agreement by March 28, 2000.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the prehearing conference previously set for March 8, 2000, is canceled.

2. That the parties shall file a proposed procedural schedule no later than March 28, 2000. The proposed procedural schedule need not be filed if the parties submit a stipulation and agreement by that date.

3. That this order shall become effective on March 17, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION



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

(S E A L)

Vicky Ruth, 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 7th day of March, 2000.