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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 14th
day of December, 1999.

In the Matter of TCG St. Louis' Tariff)
Filing to Introduce Optional Metropolitan)
Calling Area Service, 2nd Revised Sheet)
64 and Sheet 92.2, PSC Mo. No. 2.)

Case No. TT-2000-353
Tariff No. 200000463

**ORDER DENYING APPLICATION TO INTERVENE, DENYING
MOTION TO SUSPEND TARIFF AND APPROVING TARIFF**

On November, 17, 1999, TCG St. Louis, Inc. (TCG St. Louis) filed a proposed tariff to introduce Optional Metropolitan Calling Area Service (MCA) in the St. Louis market. On December 1, the Mid-Missouri Group of local exchange companies, Alma, Chariton Valley, Choctaw, Mid-Missouri, Modern, MoKan Dial and Northeast telephone companies (Mid-Missouri Group), filed an application to intervene and a motion to suspend the tariff.

Mid-Missouri Group's motion urges the Commission to reject or suspend TCG St. Louis' tariff because it is allegedly inconsistent with the position the Commission has taken in Case No. TO-99-483, a case that the Commission has established to consider the offering of MCA services by Competitive Local Exchange Carriers (CLECs), such as TCG St. Louis.

On December 6, the Commission notified interested parties that any response to Mid-Missouri Group's application and motion was to be filed on or before December 10. On December 10, TCG

St. Louis and the Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed separate responses to Mid-Missouri Group's application and motion.

Staff and TCG St. Louis agree that Mid-Missouri Group's application and motion should be denied. They point out that TCG St. Louis' tariff filing is consistent with the approved interconnection agreement between TCG St. Louis and Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWBT), which permits TCG St. Louis to offer MCA service. They also point out that the Commission has already approved tariffs to allow seven other CLECs to provide the MCA services that TCG St. Louis seeks to provide. Staff and TCG St. Louis agree that the approval of TCG St. Louis' tariff is not inconsistent with, and will not interfere with, the Commission's proceedings in TO-99-483.

The responses filed by Staff and TCG St. Louis also argue that Mid-Missouri Group's application to intervene should be denied because none of the telephone companies that are members of the Mid-Missouri Group offer services in any of the exchanges served by TCG St. Louis and thus will not be affected by the MCA services to be offered by TCG St. Louis. Mid-Missouri Group, therefore, does not have an interest in this proceeding that is different than that of the general public and does not meet the requirements of 4 CSR 240-2.075(4).

The Commission has considered the Mid-Missouri Group's Application to Intervene and Motion to Suspend, along with the responses filed by Staff and TCG St. Louis. The Commission concludes that TCG St. Louis' tariff is consistent with its

interconnection agreement with SWBT and simply allows TCG to offer services already offered by other CLECs in the St. Louis market. Also this tariff will not interfere with the proceedings in Case No. TO-99-483. Furthermore, the Commission concludes that the Mid-Missouri Group has not shown an interest in this matter that is sufficient to allow it to intervene in this case.

On December 14, Staff filed a Staff Recommendation regarding TCG St. Louis' tariff. Staff indicated that TCG St. Louis submitted substitute pages on November 30, December 2 and December 8, correcting page formats and typographical errors. Also, on December 8, TCG St. Louis submitted a letter requesting an extension of the tariff filing's effective date to December 23. Staff recommended that the Commission approve the tariff filing effective December 23.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Mid-Missouri Group's Application to Intervene is denied.
2. That the Mid-Missouri Group's Motion to Suspend is denied.
3. That the tariff filed by TCG St. Louis, Inc., on November 17, 1999 (tariff file no. 200000463) is approved to become effective on December 23, 1999. The tariff approved is:

TCG St. Louis P.S.C. Mo. Tariff No. 2
2nd Revised Sheet 64
Cancels First Revised Sheet 64
Original Sheet 92.1

4. That this order shall become effective on December 23,
1999.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(S E A L)

Lumpe, Ch., Crumpton, Murray,
Schemenauer, and Drainer, CC., concur

Woodruff, Regulatory Law Judge

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