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Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.080(17) states, in part:

Any party seeking expedited treatment in any case shall include in the title of the pleading the words "Motion for Expedited Treatment." The pleading shall also set out with particularity the following:...(B) The harm that will be avoided, or the benefit that will accrue, including a statement of the negative effect, or that there will be no negative effect, on the party's customers or the general public, if the commission acts by the date desired by the party; and (C) That the pleading was filed as soon as it could have been or an explanation why it was not.

SWBT's motion did not comply with that part of Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.080(17) cited above, in that the words "Motion for Expedited Treatment" were not included in the title of the pleading; the pleading did not state with particularity the harm that will be avoided, or the benefit that will accrue, including a statement of the negative effect, or that there will be no negative effect, on the party's customers or the general public, if the Commission acts by the date desired by the party; and a statement that the pleading was filed as soon as it could have been or an explanation why it was not.

SWBT will be ordered to file a supplemental pleading correcting these deficiencies.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

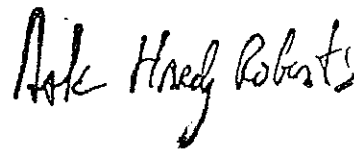
1. That Southwestern Bell Telephone Company shall file, no later than 3:00 p.m. on May 22, 2000, a supplemental pleading which includes a specific reference to the statutory provision or other authority under which it requested relief in its motion to expedite the review and approval of its application to transfer assets.

2. That Southwestern Bell Telephone Company shall file, no later than 3:00 p.m. on May 22, 2000, a supplemental pleading which

includes the words "Motion for Expedited Treatment" in the title of the pleading; which contains statements made with particularity concerning the harm that will be avoided, or the benefit that will accrue, including a statement of the negative effect, or that there will be no negative effect, on the party's customers or the general public, if the Commission acts by the date desired by the party; and which contains a statement that the pleading was filed as soon as it could have been or an explanation why it was not.

3. That this order shall become effective on May 22, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(S E A L)

Bill Hopkins, Senior 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 11th day of May, 2000.