

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
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CASE NO: TA-2000-606

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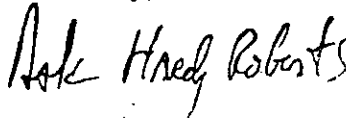
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Enclosed find certified copy of an ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,



Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Advanced)
Telecom Group, Inc. for a Certificate of)
Authority to Provide Interexchange) **Case No. TA-2000-606**
Telecommunications Services) **Tariff No. 200000877**

ORDER APPROVING INTEREXCHANGE CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
AUTHORITY AND ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

Advanced Telecom Group, Inc. (ATG) applied to the Public Service Commission on March 28, 2000, for a certificate of service authority to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in Missouri under Section 392.440, RSMo 1994¹. ATG asked the Commission to classify it as a competitive company and waive certain statutes and rules as authorized by Sections 392.361 and 392.420. ATG is a Delaware corporation, with its principal office located at 110 Stoney Point Road, Second Floor, Santa Rosa, California 95401.

The Commission issued a Notice of Applications for Intrastate Certificates of Service Authority and Opportunity to Intervene on April 4, 2000, directing parties wishing to intervene to file their requests by April 19, 2000. The requirement for a hearing is met when the opportunity for hearing has been provided and no proper party has requested the opportunity to present evidence. State ex rel. Rex Deffenderfer Enterprises, Inc. v. Public Service Commission, 776 S.W.2d 494, 496 (Mo. App. 1989). Since no one has asked

¹ All statutory references are to the Revised States of Missouri 1994 unless otherwise indicated.

permission to intervene or requested a hearing, the Commission may grant the relief requested based on the application.

ATG filed a proposed tariff in conjunction with its application and filed substitute sheets on April 24, 2000. The tariff's effective date is May 12, 2000. ATG's tariff describes the rates, rules, and regulations it intends to use, identifies ATG as a competitive company, and lists the waivers requested. ATG intends to provide interexchange telecommunications services including 1+, 800/888/877 Services, Directory Assistance, Debit Card and Travel Card services.

In its Memorandum filed on April 28, 2000, the Staff of the Commission (Staff) recommended that the Commission grant ATG a certificate of service authority, competitive status, and waiver of the statutes and rules listed in the Notice. Staff recommended that the Commission approve the proposed tariff as amended to become effective on May 12, 2000.

The Commission finds that competition in the intrastate interexchange telecommunications market is in the public interest and ATG should be granted a certificate of service authority. The Commission finds that the services ATG proposes to offer are competitive and ATG should be classified as a competitive company. The Commission finds that waiving the statutes and Commission rules set out in the ordered paragraph below is reasonable and not detrimental to the public interest.

The Commission finds that ATG's proposed tariff details the services, equipment, and pricing it proposes to offer. The Commission

finds that the proposed tariff filed on March 28, 2000 shall be approved as amended to become effective on May 12, 2000.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That Advanced Telecom Group, Inc. is granted a certificate of service authority to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in the state of Missouri, subject to all applicable statutes and Commission rules except as specified in this order.

2. That Advanced Telecom Group, Inc. is classified as a competitive telecommunications company. Application of the following statutes and regulatory rules shall be waived:

Statutes

392.210.2 - uniform system of accounts
392.240.1 - rates-rentals-service & physical connections
392.270 - valuation of property (ratemaking)
392.280 - depreciation accounts
392.290 - issuance of securities
392.300.2 - acquisition of stock
392.310 - stock and debt issuance
392.320 - stock dividend payment
392.340 - reorganization(s)
392.330, RSMo Supp. 1999 - issuance of securities,
debts and notes

Commission Rules

4 CSR 240-10.020 - depreciation fund income
4 CSR 240-30.010(2)(C) - posting of tariffs
4 CSR 240-30.040 - uniform system of accounts
4 CSR 240-33.030 - minimum charges
4 CSR 240-35 - reporting of bypass and
customer-specific arrangements

3. That the tariff filed by Advanced Telecom Group, Inc. on March 28, 2000, under tariff number 200000877, is approved as amended to become effective on May 12, 2000. The tariff approved is:

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4. That this order shall become effective on May 12, 2000.
5. That this case may be closed on May 15, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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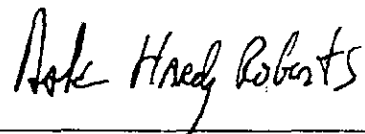
Shelly A. Register, Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant
to 4 CSR 240-2.120(1) (November 30,
1995) and Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 4th day of May, 2000.

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

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and
I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City,
Missouri, this 4th day of May 2000.



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

