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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of an Investigation for the)
Purpose of Clarifying and Determining Certain)
Aspects Surrounding the Provisioning of Metro-)
politan Calling Area Service After the Passage)
and Implementation of the Telecommunications)
Act of 1996.)
Case No. TO-99-483

ORDER SCHEDULING LOCAL PUBLIC HEARINGS

On May 26, 1999, the Commission established a case for the purpose of investigating certain aspects surrounding the provisioning of metropolitan calling area service after the passage and implementation of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. The case is set for evidentiary hearing on May 15, 2000, through May 19, 2000, at the Commission's office located in Jefferson City.

The Office of the Public Counsel and the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission each indicated in various pleadings that public hearings should be held in and around the St. Louis, Kansas City and Springfield metropolitan areas. The Commission will conduct local public hearings before the evidentiary hearing.

The Commission will direct its Information Officer to send notice of the local public hearing to radio stations, television stations, and publishers of each newspaper located in the St. Louis, Kansas City and Springfield metropolitan area where metropolitan calling area service is available, as listed in the newspaper directory of the current Official Manual of the State of Missouri, and

to members of the General Assembly in the St. Louis, Kansas City and Springfield metropolitan area where metropolitan calling area service is available. The Commission will also direct the Records Department of the Commission to serve a copy of this order upon the county commission of each county within those areas.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That a local public hearing shall be held on Monday, March 27, 2000, at the City Council Chambers, 830 Boonville, Springfield, Missouri, commencing at 6:30 p.m. and continuing until all persons present have had an opportunity to testify, but in no case later than 8:30 p.m.

2. That a local public hearing shall be held on Monday, April 10, 2000, at the St. Louis County Council Chambers, 41 South Central, Clayton, Missouri, commencing at 1:30 p.m. and continuing until all persons present have had an opportunity to testify, but in no case later than 3:30 p.m.

3. That a local public hearing shall be held on Monday, April 10, 2000, at the offices of the Missouri Public Service Commission, 815 Charter Commons Drive, Suite 100B, Chesterfield, Missouri commencing at 6:30 p.m. and continuing until all persons present have had an opportunity to testify, but in no case later than 8:30 p.m.

4. That a local public hearing shall be held on Wednesday, April 12, 2000, at the Kansas City Legislative Assembly Area, Jackson County Courthouse, 415 East 12th Street, Room 204, Kansas City, Missouri, commencing at 1:30 p.m. and continuing until all persons

present have had an opportunity to testify, but in no case later than 3:30 p.m.

5. That a local public hearing shall be held on Wednesday, April 12, 2000, at Bernard C. Campbell Junior High School, 1201 N.E. Colbern Road, Lee's Summit, Missouri, commencing at 6:30 p.m. and continuing until all persons present have had an opportunity to testify, but in no case later than 8:30 p.m.

6. That the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall be available at the locations as stated in paragraphs 1 through 5 above, one hour prior to the hearing, in order to answer questions from members of the public. At that time, other parties to this case shall have an opportunity to make a brief informational presentation or to answer questions or both.

7. That the Records Department of the Commission shall serve a copy of this order upon the county commission of each county within the St. Louis, Kansas City, and Springfield metropolitan areas which have metropolitan calling area service available.

8. That the Information Office of the Commission shall serve copies of this order and provide notice as described in this order.

9. That anyone with special needs as addressed by the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the Missouri Public Service Commission as soon as possible at one of the following numbers: Consumer Services Hotline - 1-800-392-4211 or TDD Hotline - 1-800-829-7541.

10. That this order shall become effective on March 10, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Nancy Dippell, 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 29th day of February, 2000.