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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Southwestern)
Bell Telephone Company for Expedited Approval) Case No. TT-2000-643
of its General Exchange Tariff) Tariff No. 200000942

ORDER REQUESTING RESPONSE

On April 13, 2000, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWBT) filed with the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) its proposed revision of its Missouri General Exchange Tariff, P.S.C. Mo.-No. 35, Section 44, EasyOptions® Packages. SWBT filed no pleading, but in its cover letter stated that the filing proposed to revise the monthly discount rate (business only) for the BASICSK package in accordance with the tariff sheet attached to the letter. SWBT stated that the issued date of the revision was April 13, 2000, and that the effective date was May 13, 2000. SWBT "...requested that this filing be expedited to be effective on May 1, 2000, if possible." SWBT gave no reason for the request.

Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.065(2) states, in part:

When a public utility regulated by the Public Service Commission submits a tariff for commission approval but requests the tariff [to] become effective in less than thirty (30) days . . . [such] request for less than thirty (30)-day approval must state good cause for such treatment.

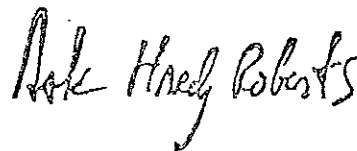
Thus, if SWBT desires to have its tariffs receive expedited treatment, it should comply with Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.065(2) by stating good cause for such treatment.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, if it desires expedited treatment for the proposed revision of its Missouri General Exchange Tariff, P.S.C. Mo.-No. 35, Section 44, EasyOptions® Packages, shall file a response to this order stating good cause for such expedited treatment pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.065(2).

2. That this order shall become effective on May 1, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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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 19th day of April, 2000.