## STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 9th day of December, 1992.

In the matter of the tariffs submitted by	)		
Southwestern Bell Telephone Company designed	)	CASE NO.	TT-93-183
to implement a BizSaver <sup>sm</sup> service.	)		

## SUSPENSION ORDER AND SETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE

On October 23, 1992, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Southwestern Bell) submitted to this Commission a revision to its General Exchange Tariff, P.S.C. Mo. No. 35, introducing a new Section 44 called "BizSaversm." The proposed tariff revision would provide a credit to business customers who subscribed to either of two packages of services. Southwestern Bell believes that the BizSaver packages will increase the demand for the services contained in the packages, which would result in a revenue increase. The proposed tariffs bore an original effective date of November 25, 1992, which was subsequently extended by Southwestern Bell at the request of the Commission's Staff, first to December 8, 1992, and then to December 11, 1992.

The Commission's Staff made a recommendation on December 8, 1992, that the Commission suspend the tariff filing in order to allow a thorough investigation into the issues raised by the proposed tariff. Staff expressed several reservations concerning the proposed tariff, including concern that a non-competitive service would be bundled in the BizSaver packages with services which may be facing increasing competition.

Upon review of the proposed tariff revision and the recommendation of Staff, it is the opinion of the Commission that in order to allow sufficient time to study the effect of the proposed tariff and to determine if it is just, reasonable, and in the interest of the public, the proposed tariff should be

suspended for a period of one hundred twenty days beyond December 11, 1992, the requested effective date, unless otherwise ordered by this Commission.

The Commission will schedule a prehearing conference in this case to allow the parties the opportunity to resolve the substantive issues and propose a procedural schedule to the Commission.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That all proposed tariff sheets submitted on October 23, 1992, by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company for the purpose of introducing its BizSaver Service to business customers in Missouri be, and are hereby, suspended for a period of one hundred twenty (120) days from December 11, 1992, to April 10, 1993, unless otherwise ordered by the Commission.
- 2. That a prehearing conference in this matter be, and is hereby, scheduled to commence at 1:30 p.m., on January 19, 1993. Said conference shall be held in the Commission's hearing room on the fifth floor of the Harry S Truman State Office Building, 301 West High Street, Jefferson City, Missouri.
- 3. That all counsel and parties to this proceeding shall review 4 CSR 240-4.020 and comply with its terms; shall communicate the meaning and importance of that rule to all personnel whom counsel believes or reasonably should believe ought to be made aware of same; and all counsel shall immediately report to the Commission all future possible violations of any Commission rule by any party, including the party they represent.
  - 4. That this Order shall become effective on the date hereof.

BY THE COMMISSION

(SEAL)

Brent Stewart Executive Secretary

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McClure, Chm., Mueller, Rauch, Perkins and Kincheloe, CC., Concur.