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STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office
in Jefferson City on the 23rd
day of July, 1993.

In the matter of the application of)	
Tariff Research Corporation for a)	<u>Case No. TA-92-272</u>
certificate of service to provide)	
intrastate telecommunications services.)	

ORDER ADOPTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

On May 11, 1992, Tariff Research Corporation (Tariff Research or Applicant) filed a verified Application requesting a certificate of service pursuant to Chapter 392, requesting that it be classified as a competitive telecommunications company and requesting the waiver of certain statutes, rules and regulations. On May 15, 1992, the Commission issued an Order and Notice which, inter alia, established an intervention date of June 15, 1992.

On May 26, 1992, the Office of Public Counsel (OPC) filed a Motion for Hearing and on June 15, 1992, OPC filed a Notice Withdrawing its Motion for Hearing. On June 24, 1993, a prehearing conference was held. As a result of this prehearing conference the parties submitted a proposed procedural schedule on June 25, 1993.

The Commission will schedule a second prehearing conference in this case to allow the parties the opportunity to resolve substantive issues as well as to consider those matters described in 4 CSR 240-2.090(6) Discovery and Prehearings. The parties shall also utilize the prehearing conference to eliminate those issues which can be resolved through updating of a party's case, clarification of misunderstandings, explanation of an issue's interrelationship with other issues, and correction of clerical or arithmetic errors if such issues have not been eliminated prior to the prehearing. Each party shall bring to the prehearing conference a list of contested issues to be presented to the hearing

examiner. These lists of contested issues are to be used to establish the scope of the settlement discussions that will be held during the prehearing conference. At the conclusion of the prehearing conference, the parties shall present an agreed-upon list of those issues still unresolved to the hearing examiner. These remaining unresolved issues are to be addressed by the parties in the hearing memorandum and will form the basis for the preparation of rebuttal testimony and the case reconciliation.

Staff is primarily responsible for filing the hearing memorandum and shall file it on the date ordered, unless an extension is allowed by Commission order. The hearing memorandum should contain only a brief description of each issue and a brief description of a party's position on each issue. If a party is unable to provide its position for the hearing memorandum in a timely manner, the hearing memorandum shall be filed as ordered below. Late filed positions must be made by motion.

The Commission emphasizes the importance of the deadlines for filing the hearing memorandum. The Commission Staff will be responsible for preparing and filing the hearing memorandum. Unless the Commission orders otherwise, the hearing memorandum shall be filed on the date set. Each party is expected to provide Staff with its position on each unresolved issue in sufficient time for Staff to meet the established filing deadline.

The Commission has determined that all prefiled testimony, briefs and reply briefs in this case shall be filed by 3:00 p.m. on the date they are scheduled to be filed.

Testimony and schedules shall not be filed under seal and treated as confidential unless a protective order has first been established by the Commission. The party which considers information to be confidential should request a protective order to ensure the information is treated as confidential. Any testimony or schedule filed without a protective order first being established

shall be considered public information. The Commission has a form protective order which will be used in this proceeding.

The Commission's general policy provides for the filing of a transcript within two (2) weeks after the conclusion of the hearing. If any party seeks to expedite the filing of the transcripts, such a request shall be tendered in writing to the hearing examiner at least five (5) days prior to the date of the hearing. The hearing examiner, in consultation with the chief hearing examiner, will determine whether the transcript can, and should, be expedited.

The Commission will adopt the proposed procedural schedule as set out below.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the following procedural schedule is hereby adopted for this proceeding.

Deadline for filing Applicant's direct testimony	8/9/93 3:00 p.m.
Deadline for filing rebuttal testimony of Staff, OPC and intervenors	9/8/93 3:00 p.m.
Second prehearing conference	9/17/93 10:00 a.m.
Deadline for filing Applicant's surrebuttal testimony and for Staff, OPC and intervenor's cross-surrebuttal testimony	10/8/93 3:00 p.m.
Hearing Memorandum due	10/15/93 5:00 p.m.
Hearing	10/27-29/93 10:00 a.m.

The second prehearing conference and the hearing shall both be held at Commission's offices on the fifth floor of the Harry S Truman State Office Building, 301 West High Street, Jefferson City, Missouri. If any person has special needs as addressed by the Americans With Disabilities Act, please contact the Missouri Public Service Commission at least ten (10) days prior to the

hearing at one of the following numbers: Consumer Services' Hotline -- 1-800-392-4211, or TDD Hotline -- 1-800-829-7541.

2. That the Company shall file fifteen (15) copies of its prepared direct testimony and schedules and minimum filing requirements with the Executive Secretary of the Commission, and shall serve two (2) copies of same upon the Public Counsel and each party who has filed a timely and proper application to intervene.

3. That Staff, Public Counsel and each intervenor shall file fifteen (15) copies of their rebuttal, surrebuttal and cross-surrebuttal testimony and all schedules attached thereto with the Executive Secretary of the Commission, and serve five (5) copies of the same upon the Company and two (2) copies of same upon each other party.

4. That testimony and any attachments to a witness's testimony shall be marked and filed only in the manner prescribed by 4 CSR 240-2.130(11).

5. That all counsel and parties to this proceeding shall review 4 CSR 240-4.020 Conduct During Proceedings, comply with its terms and communicate the meaning and importance of that rule to all personnel whom counsel believes or reasonably should believe ought to be made aware of that rule.

6. That the parties shall file a hearing memorandum setting out the issues to be heard and the witnesses to appear on each day of the hearing, definitions of terms used in describing those issues, each party's position on those issues and quantification of the amount on each issue in dispute, if applicable, no later than 5:00 p.m.

7. That requests for expedited transcripts or procedural determination shall be made in the manner herein specified.

8. That a party may be dismissed from this proceeding for failure of the party's attorney to appear and participate at the prehearing conference, unless excused in accordance with 4 CSR 240-2.090(5).

9. That prefiled testimony shall only be filed under seal pursuant to a protective order approved by the Commission.

10. That this order shall become effective on the date hereof.

BY THE COMMISSION

Brent Stewart

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Executive Secretary

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