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STATE OF MISSOURI
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At a Session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office
in Jefferson City on the 10th
day of June, 1992.

In the matter of Choctaw Telephone Company to file)
tariffs to provide community optional service and)
recover actual net revenue loss associated with) CASE NO. TR-91-86
provision of service to customers in the Company's)
Missouri service area.)

SUSPENSION ORDER AND NOTICE OF PROCEEDINGS

On May 29, 1992, Choctaw Telephone Company (Choctaw) filed a tariff reflecting an increased COS surcharge. On June 2, 1992, the Office of the Public Counsel (OPC) filed a motion for orders suspending and rejecting Choctaw's proposed tariff. On June 5, 1992, Choctaw filed suggestions in opposition to OPC's motion and argued that its proposed tariff should not be suspended or rejected.

The Commission is of the opinion 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 public interest, the proposed tariff should be suspended for a period of one hundred twenty (120) days beyond the requested effective date of July 20, 1992. The Commission is also of the opinion that Choctaw should not formally notify its customers of a possible COS surcharge increase until ordered to do so by the Commission.

The Commission is further of the opinion that a prehearing conference should be scheduled to allow the parties the opportunity to discuss any substantive or procedural issues in this matter. The parties shall also utilize the prehearing conference to establish a procedural schedule to be proposed to the Commission.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the proposed tariff filed by Choctaw Telephone Company on May 29, 1992, reflecting an increased COS surcharge, is hereby suspended for a period of one hundred twenty (120) days from July 20, 1992 to November 17, 1992.

2. That a prehearing conference in this matter is hereby scheduled for July 1, 1992, at 10:00 a.m., in the Commission's hearing room on the fifth floor of the Harry S Truman State Office Building, Jefferson City, Missouri.

3. That the parties shall file a proposed procedural schedule with the Commission on or before July 8, 1992.

4. That Choctaw Telephone Company shall refrain from formally notifying its customers of a possible COS surcharge increase until ordered to do so by the Commission.

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