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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of)	
CAT Communications International, Inc.)	
for a Certificate of Service Authority to)	
Provide Interexchange and Basic Local)	Case No. TA-2000-347
Exchange Telecommunications Services in the)	
State of Missouri and to Classify Said)	
Services and the Company as Competitive)	

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE OF PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

CAT Communications International, Inc. (CAT) filed an Application with the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) on December 8, 1999, for a certificate of service authority to provide telecommunications services. Along with the application, CAT submitted proposed tariff sheets with an effective date of January 25, 2000.

The Commission issued an order on December 14, 1999, directing parties wishing to intervene to file their requests by January 13, 2000. On January 7, 2000, the Small Telephone Company Group filed to intervene and on January 10, 2000, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company filed too; both motions were granted on February 1, 2000.

On December 14, 1999, the Commission issued its notice, stating that it could not proceed with this case until CAT complied with the Commission's rules. CAT cured the deficiencies on January 14, 2000, by filing its amendment to its application.

On December 22, 1999, CAT submitted two sets of substitute tariff sheets. On January 14, 2000, CAT filed its second amendment to its application for a certificate of service authority, and, *inter alia*, CAT withdrew the two tariffs.

On February 1, 2000, the Commission ordered, inter alia, that the parties file a procedural schedule no later than February 16, 2000. Since a procedural schedule had not been filed by February 24, 2000, the Commission entered its notice of default, stating that no further action would be taken on this case until the parties cured the default.

On February 25, 2000, CAT filed its motion for a continuance of the filing of the procedural schedule for thirty (30) days in order to allow time for negotiation of a stipulation and agreement between CAT and the intervenors. CAT stated that the intervenors, the Staff of the Commission, and the Office of the Public Counsel have no objections to a continuance of the date to file a procedural schedule. The Commission will grant CAT's motion to continue the filing of the procedural schedule.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the parties shall file a proposed procedural schedule no later than 3:00 p.m. on March 31, 2000.

2. That this order shall become effective on March 13, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION

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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 1st day of March, 2000.