

STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
JEFFERSON CITY
October 23, 2000

CASE NO: TA-2001-251

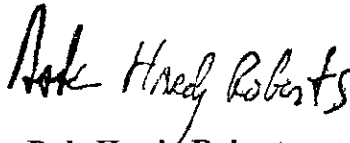
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Enclosed find certified copy of an ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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To all interexchange and local exchange telecommunications companies

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of ExOp of Missouri, Inc., for Designation as a Telecommunications Company Carrier Eligible for Federal Universal Service Support Pursuant to Section 254 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.)
Case No. TA-2001-251

ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE

On October 17, 2000, ExOp of Missouri, Inc. (ExOp), filed its application for designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier with respect to federal universal service support pursuant to Section 254 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the Act), codified at 47 U.S.C. Section 254, and the implementing regulations of the Federal Communications Commission (F.C.C.).

The Commission finds that proper persons should be allowed 20 days from the issuance of this order to file a motion for leave to intervene in this matter. The Commission finds that notice of this application should be sent to all telecommunications carriers certificated to operate in Missouri. Further, the Commission finds that the Public Information Office of the Commission shall provide notice to the members of the General Assembly and to the media.

The requirement of a hearing is met when an opportunity to be heard has been provided and no proper party has requested the opportunity to present evidence. State ex rel. Rex Deffenderfer Enterprises, Inc. v. Public Service Commission, 776 S.W.2d, 494, 496

(Mo. App. 1989). If there are no requests for a hearing, relief may be granted based on the petition.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Records Department of the Commission shall send notice of this application to all telecommunications carriers certified to operate in the state of Missouri.

2. That the Public Information Office of the Commission shall provide notice of the application to the members of the General Assembly and to the media.

3. That any party wishing to intervene in this matter shall file an application, no later than November 13, 2000, with:

Dale Hardy Roberts, Secretary
Missouri Public Service Commission
Post Office Box 360
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

and send copies to:

Kristine Becker, Esq.
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and:

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4. That this order shall become effective on November 2, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(S E A L)

Kevin A. Thompson, Deputy Chief
Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation
of authority pursuant to Section 386.240,
RSMo 1994.

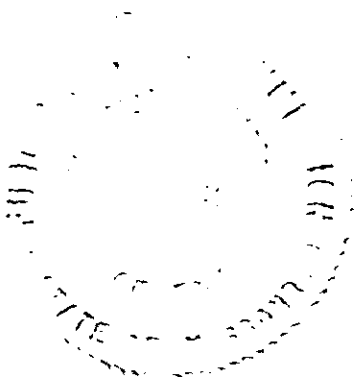
Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 23rd day of October, 2000.

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and
I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City,
Missouri, this 23rd day of Oct. 2000.



Dale Hardy Roberts

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge