BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Joint Application of)			
Mid-Missouri Holding Corp., a Delaware)			
Corporation, and Mid-Missouri Telephone Company)			
a Missouri Corporation, for an Order)			
Authorizing: 1) Mid-Missouri Holding Corp. to)			
Purchase or Acquire, Take or Hold All of the)	Case 1	No.	TF-99-578
Issued and Outstanding Capital Stock of)			••••
Mid-Missouri Telephone Company, and 2) for)			
Mid-Missouri Telephone Company to Execute a)			
Deed of Trust, Security Agreement and Financing)			
Statement to Secure a Loan to Complete the)			
Transaction.)			

ORDER GRANTING APPLICANTS' MOTION TO RESCHEDULE HEARING

On May 27, 1999, the Mid-Missouri Holding Corp. (MMH) and Mid-Missouri Telephone Company (Mid-Missouri), and certain individuals and trustees (collectively the "Applicants"), filed their joint application for authority to carry out their agreement and in particular requesting the Commission's Order: 1) authorizing MMH and Mid-Missouri to enter into and perform their obligations under a stock purchase agreement; 2) authorizing MMH to purchase all of the currently issued and outstanding common stock of Mid-Missouri; and 3) authorizing Mid-Missouri to execute and deliver a Deed of Trust, Security Agreement and Financing Statement related to the financing of the purchase price.

Applicants also filed a motion for a protective order seeking to protect confidential and proprietary information, including documents containing the purchase price of the stock and non-public financial information. The Commission granted a protective order on June 9, 1999.

The Commission also issued a Notice of Deficiency on June 9, 1999, requesting additional information to be provided by the Applicants. On June 17, 1999, the Applicants filed their Response of Joint Applicants to Notice of Deficiency in which they provided the additional information.

Also, on June 9, 1999, the Commission issued an Order Directing Notice. The Records Department of the Commission was directed to send notice of the application to interested government officials and Mid-Missouri was directed to provide direct notice to its customers. Mid-Missouri filed a Notice of Compliance on July 15, 1999, that included a certification and copy of the notice given by Mid-Missouri. No requests for intervention or for a hearing have been filed in this proceeding.

On September 24, 1999, the Commission's Staff completed its investigation of the proposed sale of stock and financing and filed its memorandum recommending approval of the application.

On October 8, 1999, the Commission issued its Order Scheduling Hearing that scheduled a hearing regarding the application for October 27, 1999. The order generally described areas where the Commission desired additional information before taking action on the application.

On October 19, 1999, the Applicants filed a motion requesting that the hearing be rescheduled for October 28, 1999, in order to allow participation of certain witnesses who would not otherwise be available. The Applicants indicated that they had contacted the

Commission's Staff and the Office of Public Counsel and stated that there was no objection to the request to reschedule the hearing.

The request to reschedule the hearing in this matter will be approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- That the hearing ordered in this matter for October 27, 1999, beginning at 10:00 a.m., is rescheduled for October 28, 1999, beginning at 10:00 a.m.
- That the hearing will 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. Any person with special needs as addressed by the Americans With Disabilities Act should contact the Missouri Public Service Commission prior to the hearing at one of the following numbers: Consumer Services Hotline -1-800-392-4211, or TDD Hotline -1-800-829-7541.
- That this order shall become effective on October 26, 1999.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

Keith Thornburg, 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 26th day of October, 1999.

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