**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION** 

# OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of the Application of Missouri ) Telecom, Inc. for a Certificate of Service Authority to Provide Basic Local Telecommunications Service in Portions of the State of Missouri and to Classify Said Services and the Company as Competitive

Case No. TA-99-549

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# **ORDER GRANTING CERTIFICATE TO PROVIDE BASIC LOCAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES**

# **Procedural History**

Missouri Telecom, Inc. (MTI) applied to the Commission on May 10, 1999, for a certificate of service authority to provide basic local exchange telecommunications services in Missouri under Sections 392.420 - .440, RSMo 1998<sup>1</sup>, and Sections 392.410 and .450, RSMo Supp. 1998. MTI asked the Commission to classify it as a competitive company and waive certain statutes and rules as authorized by Sections 392.361 and 392.420. MTI is a Missouri corporation with principal offices located at 515 Laclede, Suite C, Monett, Missouri 65708.

The Commission issued a notice and schedule of applicants on May 18, directing interested entities wishing to intervene to do so by The Commission granted Southwestern Bell Telephone Company June 17. (SWBT) permission to intervene on July 19.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> All statutory references are to Revised Statutes of Missouri 1994 unless otherwise indicated.

The parties filed a Stipulation and Agreement (Agreement) on August 9 which is included with this order as Attachment 1. The Staff the Commission (Staff) filed Suggestions in Support of the of Agreement on August 11. In the Agreement, the parties waived their rights to present testimony, cross-examine witnesses, present oral argument or briefs, and to seek rehearing or judicial review. The requirement for a hearing is met when the opportunity for hearing 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). Since no one has requested a hearing in this case, the Commission may grant the relief requested based on the verified application.

# Discussion

MTI wishes certification to provide basic local exchange telecommunications services in portions of Missouri that are currently served by SWBT, GTE Midwest Incorporated (GTE), and Sprint Missouri, Inc. (Sprint). MTI is not asking for certification in any area that is served by a small incumbent local exchange provider. MTI proposes to operate in all of the exchanges listed in the incumbent provider's respective local exchange tariffs. MTI is requesting that its basic local services be classified as competitive and that the application of certain statutes and regulatory rules be waived.

# A. Requirements of 4 CSR 240-2.060(4)

Commission rule 4 CSR 240-2.060(4) requires a corporation applying for certification to provide telecommunications services to

include in its application a certified copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a Certificate of Incorporation from the Secretary of State, a description of the types of service it intends to provide, a description of the exchanges where it will offer service, and a proposed tariff with a 45-day effective date. MTI has provided all the required documentation except for the proposed tariff. The company requested a temporary waiver of 4 CSR 240-2.060(4)(H) until it has entered into interconnection agreements with the underlying local exchange carriers and those agreements have been approved by the Commission. The company agreed to submit to the Commission for approval a proposed tariff with a minimum 45-day effective date once it is party to the appropriate interconnection agreements. MTI will file the tariff and give notice of the tariff filing to all the parties. Along with that filing MTI has agreed to provide a written disclosure of all interconnection agreements it has entered into which affect its Missouri service areas.

# **B.** Basic Local Service Certification

Section 392.455, RSMo Supp. 1998, sets out the requirements for granting certificates to provide basic local telecommunications service to new entrants. A new entrant must: (1) possess sufficient technical, financial and managerial resources and abilities to provide basic local telecommunications service; (2) demonstrate that the offer satisfy the minimum services it proposes to standards established by the Commission; (3) set forth the geographic area in which it proposes to offer service and demonstrate that such area follows exchange boundaries of the incumbent local exchange

telecommunications company and is no smaller than an exchange; and (4) offer basic local telecommunications service as a separate and distinct service. In addition, the Commission must give due consideration to equitable access for all Missourians to affordable telecommunications services, regardless of where they live or their income.

MTI submitted as Exhibit 3 to its application certain financial documentation including its projected balance sheet and cash flow. Exhibit 2 to the application lists the names and qualifications of MTI's management team. The parties agreed that MTI possesses sufficient technical, financial and managerial resources and abilities to provide basic local telecommunications service.

MTI has agreed to provide services that will meet the minimum basic local service standards required by the Commission, including quality of service and billing standards. The parties agreed that MTI proposes to offer basic local services that satisfy the minimum standards established by the Commission.

MTI wishes to be certificated to offer services in all the exchanges presently served by SWBT, GTE, and Sprint as described in their basic local tariffs. The parties agreed that MTI has sufficiently identified the geographic area in which it proposes to offer basic local service and that the area follows ILEC exchange boundaries and is no smaller than an exchange.

MTI has agreed to offer basic local telecommunications service as a separate and distinct service and to provide equitable access, as determined by the Commission, for all Missourians within the

geographic area in which it will offer basic local services in compliance with Section 392.455(5), RSMo Supp. 1998.

# C. Competitive Classification

The Commission may classify a telecommunications provider as a competitive company if the Commission determines it is subject to sufficient competition to justify a lesser degree of regulation. § 392.361.2. In making that determination the Commission may consider financial such factors as market share, resources and name recognition, among others. In the matter of the investigation for the purpose of determining the classification of the services provided by interexchange telecommunications companies within the State of Missouri, 30 Mo. P.S.C. (N.S.) 16 (1989); In the matter of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company's application for classification of certain services as transitionally competitive, 1 Mo. P.S.C. 3d 479, 484 (1992). In addition, all the services a competitive company provides must be classified as competitive. § 392.361.3. The Commission has found that whether a service is competitive is a subject for case-by-case examination and that different criteria may be given greater weight depending upon the service being considered. Id. at 487.

The parties have agreed that MTI should be classified as a competitive telecommunications company. The parties have also agreed that MTI's switched exchange access services may be classified as a competitive service, conditioned upon certain limitations on MTI's ability to charge for its access services. MTI has agreed that, unless otherwise ordered by the Commission, its originating and

terminating access will be rates no greater than the lowest Commission-approved corresponding access rates in effect at the date of certification for the large incumbent LECs within those service areas in which MTI seeks to operate. The parties have agreed that the grant of service authority and competitive classification to MTI should be expressly conditioned on the continued applicability of Section 392.200, RSMo Supp. 1998, and on the requirement that any increases in switched access services rates above the maximum switched access service rates set forth in the agreement must be cost-justified pursuant to Sections 392.220, RSMo Supp. 1998, and 392.230, rather than Sections 392.500 and 392.510.

The parties agreed that waiver of the following statutes is appropriate: Sections 392.210.2, 392.270, 392.280, 392.290.1, 392.300.2, 392.310, 392.320, 392.330, RSMo Supp. 1998, and 392.340. The parties also agreed that application of these Commission rules could be waived: 4 CSR 240-10.020, 4 CSR 240-30.040, and 4 CSR 240-35.

# **Findings of Fact**

The Missouri Public Service Commission, having considered all of the competent and substantial evidence upon the whole record, makes the following findings of fact:

- A. The Commission finds that competition in the basic local exchange telecommunications market is in the public interest.
- B. The Commission finds that MTI has met the requirements of
  4 CSR 240-2.060(4) for applicants for certificates of

service authority to provide telecommunications services with the exception of the filing of a tariff with a 45-day effective date.

- C. The Commission finds that MTI has demonstrated good cause to support a temporary waiver of the tariff filing requirement and the waiver shall be granted.
- finds that MTI D. The Commission meets the statutory basic requirements for provision of local telecommunications services and has agreed to abide by requirements in the future. The Commission those determines that granting MTI a certificate of service provide basic local authority to exchange telecommunications services is in the public interest. MTI's certificate shall become effective when its tariff becomes effective.
- E. The Commission finds that MTI is a competitive company and should be granted waiver of the statutes and rules set out in the ordered paragraph below.
- The Commission finds that MTI's certification F. and competitive status should be expressly conditioned upon continued applicability of Section 392.200, the RSMO Supp. 1998, and on the requirement that any increases in switched access services rates above the maximum switched access service rates set forth in the agreement must be cost-justified pursuant to Sections 392.220, RSMO

Supp. 1998, and 392.230, rather than Sections 392.500 and 392.510.

# **Conclusions of Law**

The Missouri Public Service Commission has reached the following conclusions of law:

The Commission has the authority to grant certificates of service authority to provide telecommunications service within the of Missouri. MTI state has requested certification under Sections 392.420 - .440, and Sections 392.410 and .450, RSMO Supp. 1998, which permit the Commission to grant a certificate of service authority where it is in public the interest. Sections 392.361 and .420 authorize the Commission to modify or suspend the application of its rules and certain statutory provisions for companies classified as competitive or transitionally competitive.

federal The Telecommunications Act of 1996 and Supp. 1998, Section 392.455, RSMO were designed to institute competition in the basic local exchange telecommunications market in order benefit all telecommunications to consumers. See Section 392.185, RSMo Supp. 1998.

The Commission has the legal authority to accept a Stipulation and Agreement as offered by the parties as a resolution of the issues raised in this case, pursuant to Section 536.060, RSMo Supp. 1998. Based upon the Commission's review of the applicable law and Stipulation and Agreement of the parties, and upon its findings of fact, the Commission concludes that the Stipulation and Agreement should be approved.

#### **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That the Stipulation and Agreement of the parties, filed on August 9, 1999, is approved.

2. That Missouri Telecom, Inc. is granted a certificate of service authority to provide basic local exchange telecommunications services in the state of Missouri, subject to the conditions of certification set out above and to all applicable statutes and Commission rules except as specified in this order. The certificate of service authority shall become effective when the company's tariff becomes effective.

3. That Missouri Telecom, Inc. is classified as a competitive telecommunications company. Application of the following statutes and regulatory rules shall be waived:

#### Statutes

392.210.2 - uniform system of accounts 392.270 - valuation of property (ratemaking) 392.280 - depreciation accounts 392.290.1 - issuance of securities 392.300.2 - acquisition of stock 392.310 - stock and debt issuance 392.320 - stock dividend payment 392.340 - reorganization(s) 392.330, RSMo Supp. 1998 - issuance of securities, debts and notes

#### Commission Rules

4	CSR	240-10.020	-	depreciation fund income
4	CSR	240-30.040		uniform system of accounts
4	CSR	240-35	-	reporting of bypass and
				customer-specific arrangements

4. That the request for waiver of the filing of 4 CSR 240-2.060(4)(H) which requires the filing of a 45-day tariff is granted.

5. That Missouri Telecom, Inc. shall file tariff sheets with a minimum 45-day effective date reflecting the rates, rules, regulations and the services it will offer after the effective date of a Commission order approving an interconnection agreement which will allow Missouri Telecom, Inc. to provide services. The tariff shall include a listing of the statutes and Commission rules waived above.

6. That Missouri Telecom, Inc. shall give notice of the filing of the tariffs described above to all parties or participants. In addition, Missouri Telecom, Inc. shall file a written disclosure of all interconnection agreements which affect its Missouri service areas, all portions of Missouri service areas for which it does not have an interconnection agreement, and an explanation of why no interconnection agreement is necessary for those areas.

7. That Missouri Telecom, Inc.'s certification and competitive status are expressly conditioned upon the continued applicability of Section 392.200, RSMo Supp. 1998, and on the requirement that any increases in switched access service rates above the maximum switched access service rates set forth in the agreement must be cost-justified pursuant to Sections 392.220, RSMo Supp. 1998, and 392.230, rather than Sections 392.500 and 392.510.

8. That this order shall become effective on October 1, 1999.

9. That this case may be closed after October 2, 1999.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Shelly R. Register, 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 21st day of September, 1999.

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## STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT

Missouri Telecom, Inc. (Applicant or Missouri Telecom) initiated this proceeding on May 10, 1999, by filing an Application requesting certificate of service authority to provide facilities-based and resold basic local telecommunications services in those portions of Missouri that are currently served by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWBT), GTE of the Midwest, Incorporated (GTE) and United Telephone Company of Missouri, d/b/a Sprint (Sprint), and other relief.

The Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) has granted the timely application to intervene of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWBT).

# A. Standards and Criteria

1. For purposes of this Stipulation and Agreement, the parties agree that applications for local exchange and basic local exchange service authority in exchanges served by "large" local exchange companies (LECs)<sup>1</sup> should be processed in a manner similar to that in which applications for interexchange authority are currently handled.

2. In determining whether Missouri Telecom's application for certificate of service authority should be granted, the Commission should consider Missouri Telecom's technical, financial

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Large LECs are defined as LECs who serve 100,000 or more access lines §386.020 RSMo Supp. 1998. In Missouri, the current large LECs are SWBT, GTE and Sprint.

and managerial resources and abilities to provide basic local telecommunications service. Missouri Telecom must demonstrate that the basic local services it proposes to offer satisfy the minimum standards established by the Commission, including but not limited to the filing and maintenance of basic local service tariffs with the Commission in the same manner and form as the Commission requires of incumbent local exchange telecommunications companies (ILECs) with which applicant seeks to compete. Further, Missouri Telecom agrees to meet the minimum basic local service standards, including quality of service and billing standards, as the Commission requires of the ILECs with which applicant seeks to compete. Notwithstanding the provisions of §392.500 RSMo (1994), as a condition of certification and competitive classification, Missouri Telecom agrees that, unless otherwise ordered by the Commission, Missouri Telecom's originating and terminating access rates will be no greater than the lowest Commission approved corresponding access rates in effect for the large ILEC(s) within whose service areas Missouri Telecom seeks authority to provide service. Further, Missouri Telecom agrees to offer basic local telecommunications service as a separate and distinct service and has sufficiently identified the geographic service area in which it proposes to offer basic local service. Such area follows exchange boundaries of the ILECs in the same area and is no smaller than an exchange. Finally, Missouri Telecom agrees to provide equitable access to affordable telecommunications services, as determined by the Commission, for all Missourians within the geographic area in which it proposes to offer basic local service, regardless of residence or income. See §392.455 RSMo. Supp. 1998.

 The parties acknowledge that the Commission is currently examining the extent to which competitive LEC (CLEC) switched access rates should be regulated in Case No. TO-99-596.
 Missouri Telecom will comply with any applicable Commission order regarding intrastate CLEC switched access rates, and the parties acknowledge that Missouri Telecom can comply with any such order notwithstanding any contrary terms contained in this Stipulation.

4. Missouri Telecom has submitted its application without tariffs and seeks a temporary waiver of 4 CSR 240-2.060(4)(H). Missouri Telecom agrees to file its initial tariffs in this certification docket and serve all parties thereto with written notice at the time the initial tariffs are submitted to afford them an opportunity to participate in the tariff approval process. Copies of the tariffs will be provided by Applicant to such parties immediately upon request. Any service authority shall be regarded as conditional and shall not be exercised until such time as tariffs for services have become effective. When filing its initial basic local tariff, Missouri Telecom shall also file and serve a written disclosure of all resale and/or interconnection agreements which affect its Missouri service areas, all portions of its Missouri service areas for which it does not have a resale and/or interconnection agreement with the incumbent local exchange carrier, and its explanation of why such a resale and/or interconnection agreement is unnecessary for such areas.

5. Missouri Telecom has, pursuant to §392.420 RSMo, requested that the Commission waive the application of the following statutory provisions and rules to its basic local telecommunications services, and the parties agree that the Commission should grant such request provided that §392.200 RSMo should continue to apply to all of Missouri Telecom's services:

STATUTORY PROVISIONS	COMMISSION RULES
§392.210.2	
§392.270	4 CSR 240-10.020
§392.280	4 CSR 240-30.040
§392.290.1	4 CSR 240-35
§392.300.2	
§392.310	
§392.320	
§392.330	
§392.340	

6. In negotiating the remaining provisions of this Stipulation and Agreement, the parties employed the foregoing standards and criteria, which are intended to meet the requirements of existing law and §§392.450 and 392.455 RSMo regarding applications for certificates of local exchange service authority to provide basic local telecommunications service

# B. Missouri Telecom Certification

7. Missouri Telecom hereby agrees that its application should be deemed amended to include by reference the terms and provisions described in paragraphs 2-4 above.

8. Based upon its verified Application, as amended by this Stipulation and Agreement,

Missouri Telecom asserts, and no party makes a contrary assertion, that there is sufficient evidence

from which the Commission can find and conclude that Missouri Telecom:

- A. possesses sufficient technical, financial and managerial resources and abilities to provide basic local telecommunications service and local exchange telecommunications service, including exchange access service;
- B. proposes and agrees to offer basic local services that satisfy the minimum standards established by the Commission;
- C. has sufficiently identified the geographic area in which it proposes to offer basic local service and such area follows exchange boundaries of the incumbent local exchange telecommunications companies in the same areas, and such area is no smaller than an exchange;
- D. will offer basic local telecommunications service as a separate and distinct service;
- E. has agreed to provide equitable access to affordable telecommunications services, as determined by the Commission, for all Missourians within the geographic area in which it proposes to offer basic local service, regardless of where they live or their income; and
- F. has sought authority which will serve the public interest.

9. Missouri Telecom asserts, and no party opposes, that Missouri Telecom's application and request for authority to provide basic local telecommunications services should be granted. All services authorized herein should be classified as competitive telecommunications services provided that the requirements of §392.200 RSMo continue to apply, and Missouri Telecom shall remain classified as a competitive telecommunications company. Missouri Telecom asserts, and no party opposes, that such services will be subject to sufficient competition by the services of the ILECs to justify a lesser degree of regulation of Missouri Telecom's services consistent with the protection of ratepayers and the promotion of the public interest. Such classification should become effective upon the tariffs for the services becoming effective. Such authority should be conditional, not to be exercised until such time as tariffs for those services have been filed (together with the written disclosure as stipulated above) and have become effective. The Commission's Order should state the foregoing conditions substantially as follows:

The service authority and service classification herein granted are subject to the requirements of §392.200 RSMo and are conditional and shall not be exercised until such time as tariffs for services have become effective.

The parties agree that Missouri Telecom's switched exchange access services may be classified as competitive services. The parties further agree that Applicant's intrastate switched exchange access services are subject to §392.200 RSMo. Any increases in intrastate switched access service rates above the maximum switched access service rates as set forth in paragraph 2 herein shall be cost justified and shall be made pursuant to §§392.220 and 392.230 RSMo and not §§392.500 and 392.510 RSMo. The Commission's Order should state the foregoing conditions substantially as follows:

The service authority and service classification for switched exchange access granted herein is expressly conditioned on the continued applicability of §392.200 RSMo and

the requirement that any increases in switched access service rates above the maximum switched access service rates set forth herein shall be cost justified and shall be made pursuant to §392.220 and 392.230 RSMo and not §392.500 and 392.510 RSMo.

10. Missouri Telecom's request for a temporary waiver of 4 CSR 240-2.060(4)(H), which requires applications to include a proposed tariff with a 45-day effective date, is not opposed by the parties and should be granted because Missouri Telecom does not yet have approved resale and/or interconnection agreements with the large ILECs. Missouri Telecom agrees that at such time as all facts necessary for the development of tariffs become known, it will submit tariffs in this docket, with a minimum 45-day proposed effective date, to the Commission for its approval, together with the written disclosure as stipulated above. Missouri Telecom shall serve notice to all parties and participants in this docket of the filing of its tariffs at the time they are filed with the Commission and serve them with the aforesaid written disclosure and shall upon request immediately provide any party with a copy of those tariffs. The Commission's Order should state these obligations as conditions to the waiver of 4 CSR 240-2.060(4)(H), substantially as follows:

Applicant's request for temporary waiver of 4 CSR 240-2.060(4)(H) is hereby granted for good cause in that applicant does not yet have approved any resale and/or interconnection agreement with the incumbent local exchange carrier within whose service areas it seeks authority to provide service; provided, when applicant submits its tariffs in this docket to the Commission, such tariffs shall have a minimum of a 45day effective date and the applicant shall serve written notice upon the parties hereto of such submittal, and shall provide copies of such tariffs to such parties immediately upon request. When filing its initial basic local tariff in this docket, the applicant shall also file and serve upon the parties hereto a written disclosure of: all resale and/or interconnection agreements which affect its Missouri service areas; all portions of its Missouri service areas for which it does not have a resale and/or interconnection agreement with the incumbent local exchange carrier; and its explanation of why such a resale and/or interconnection agreement is unnecessary for any such areas.

11. Missouri Telecom's request for waiver of the application of the following rules and statutory provisions as they relate to the regulation of Missouri Telecom's services should be granted:

#### COMMISSION RULES

STATUTORY PROVISIONS

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12. This Stipulation and Agreement has resulted from extensive negotiations among the signatories and the terms hereof are interdependent. In the event the Commission does not adopt this Stipulation in total, then this Stipulation and Agreement shall be void and no signatory shall be bound by any of the agreements or provisions hereof. The Stipulations herein are specific to the resolution of this proceeding and are made without prejudice to the rights of the signatories to take other positions in other proceedings.

13. In the event the Commission accepts the specific terms of this Stipulation and Agreement, the parties and participants waive, with respect to the issues resolved herein: their respective rights pursuant to §536.070(2) and §536.080.1 RSMo 1994, to present testimony, to cross examine witnesses, and to present oral argument or written briefs; their respective rights to the reading of the transcript by the Commission pursuant to §536.080.2 RSMo 1994; and their respective rights to seek rehearing pursuant to §386.500 RSMo 1994 and to seek judicial review pursuant to §386.510 RSMo 1994. The parties agree to cooperate with the Applicant and with each other in presenting this Stipulation and Agreement for approval to the Commission and shall take no action, direct or indirect, in opposition to the request for approval of the Missouri Telecom application made herein.

14. The Staff may submit a Staff Recommendation concerning matters not addressed in this Stipulation. In addition, if requested by the Commission, the Staff shall have the right to submit to the Commission a memorandum explaining its rationale for entering into this Stipulation and Agreement. Each party of record and participant herein shall be served with a copy of any memorandum and shall be entitled to submit to the Commission, within five (5) days of receipt of Staff's memorandum, a responsive memorandum which shall also be served on all parties and participants. All memoranda submitted by the parties shall be considered privileged in the same manner as settlement discussions under the Commission's rules, shall be maintained on a confidential basis by all parties and participants, and shall not become a part of the record of this proceeding or bind or prejudice the party submitting such memorandum in any future proceeding or in this proceeding whether or not the Commission approves this Stipulation and Agreement. The contents of any memorandum provided by any party are its own and are not acquiesced in or otherwise adopted by the other signatories to the Stipulation and Agreement, whether or not the Commission approves and adopts this Stipulation and Agreement.

The Staff shall also have the right to provide, at any agenda meeting at which this Stipulation and Agreement is noticed to be considered by the Commission, whatever oral explanation the Commission requests, provided that the Staff shall, to the extent reasonably practicable, provide the other parties and participants with advance notice of when the Staff shall respond to the Commission's request for such explanation once such explanation is requested from Staff. Staff's oral explanation shall be subject to public disclosure.

15. The Office of Public Counsel, while not a signatory to this Stipulation and Agreement, has been contacted with regard to its filing and has offered no objection.

16. Finally, Missouri Telecom will comply with all applicable Commission rules and regulations except those which are specifically waived by the Commission.

WHEREFORE, the signatories respectfully request the Commission to issue its Order approving the terms of this Stipulation and Agreement and issue its Order granting authority and classification as requested by Missouri Telecom, subject to the conditions described above, at its earliest convenience.

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### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of this document has been hand delivered or mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid, to the parties of record listed below, on this  $\underline{91}$  day of  $\underline{1999}$ .

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