

STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service  
Commission held at its office  
in Jefferson City on the 14th  
day of September, 1994.

In the matter of LDDS Communications, )  
Inc., d/b/a LDDSMETROMEDIA )  
Communications tariff revisions ) **Case No. TT-95-49**  
designed to introduce new services )  
and make changes in the MTS Section. )

**ORDER APPROVING TARIFF**

On August 16, 1994, LDDS Communications, Inc., d/b/a LDDSMETROMEDIA Communications (LDDS) filed a proposal to introduce new services and make textual revisions to its tariff. On August 17, 1994, LDDS submitted substitute pages and requested that the tariff filing be approved on an expedited basis to become effective on September 1, 1994. At the request of the Telecommunications Department Staff (Staff), LDDS filed additional substitute pages on August 18, August 30, and August 31, 1994. LDDS has extended the requested effective date to September 15, 1994.

On July 8, 1994, the Commission approved the merger of LDDS with its six operating subsidiaries in Case No. TM-94-216. On April 12, 1994, the Commission approved the merger of LDDS with Tel-Central of Jefferson City, Inc. (Tel-Central) in Case No. TM-94-156 and Prime Link Communications Corp. of Columbia, Missouri (Prime Link) in Case No. TM-94-156. LDDS originally proposed to combine the tariffs of LDDS to cover the six subsidiaries, Tel-Central and Prime Link, and to offer grandfathered services and rates to the former customers who are already receiving those services. The Commission rejected LDDS's proposed tariff on August 3, 1994, and ordered LDDS to serve the former subsidiaries and

LDDS's current customers from the LDDS tariff that was in effect when the Commission issued its order on July 8, 1994.

On September 6, 1994, the Telecommunications Department Staff (Staff) filed a Memorandum in which it recommended approval of the above-referenced tariff in which it stated that LDDS has combined as many of the services as it possibly could and is now proposing, with this tariff filing, to add the services that it believes cannot be combined into LDDS's existing services. The proposed new services include on-line calling card service, the Answer and Acclaim packages of services, Dial USA Service, Type A and Type B special service arrangements, and military phone center service. The on-line calling card service offers residential, commercial and stand-alone rate schedules. The Answer and Acclaim packages offer switched or dedicated outbound calling, and switched or dedicated 800 service. The Answer package also offers a calling card service. Different volume discounts are offered for each of the service packages. Dial USA Service is a long-distance service offered only in conjunction with the Answer package. The Type A service is available either as an intrastate dedicated service or a switched service or both. Type B service is an intrastate private line network service. Both Type A and Type B services are available only to the state of Missouri, its agencies, and funded institutions in response to invitations to bid. Pricing for Type A and Type B service is established on an individual case basis. Military phone center service is an outbound service offered exclusively at phone centers located on military bases. Phone Center customers place outbound calls and pay for the service immediately upon exiting the facility. This service is presently being addressed by the Commission in Case No. TM-95-20.

Staff has no objections to LDDS's proposal, as amended, and recommends approval at the Commission's earliest convenience.

The Commission originally set out a timetable wherein LDDS would be required to switch all customers to LDDS's tariff on or before September 1, 1994. The Commission later granted the applicant's request in its Order Granting Leave to Comply Out of Time which allowed LDDS to continue serving the former subsidiary's customers from their respective tariffs until October 1, 1994.

The Commission has reviewed the Staff's Memorandum and the entirety of the case file and makes the following findings: The Commission finds that the proposed tariff herein will serve all of the LDDS customers, including the customers of the subsidiaries which have recently merged with LDDS in Cases TM-94-154, TM-94-156, and TM-94-216 from a single tariff which provides that all customers who receive the same service will receive it at the same rate. The Commission further finds that providing the same services to a single class of customers at the same rates avoids the appearance of pricing discrimination which is prohibited by the statutes. The Commission finds that the tariff herein is consistent with the Commission's orders which have been issued in Case No. TM-94-216.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That the tariff filed by LDDS Communications, Inc., d/b/a LDDSMETROMEDIA is approved for service on and after September 15, 1994:

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2. That this order shall become effective on September 15,  
1994.

BY THE COMMISSION

*David L Rauch*

David L. Rauch  
Executive Secretary

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Mueller, Chm., McClure, Perkins  
and Kincheloe, CC., Concur.  
Crompton, C., Absent.