BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Payroll Advance, Inc. for a Certificate of) Service Authority to Provide Interexchange) and Local Exchange Telecommunications Services in the State of Missouri and for Competitive Classification

Case No. TA-99-405

ORDER GRANTING ADDITIONAL TIME **TO FILE DIRECT TESTIMONY**

Payroll Advance, Inc. (Payroll) applied to the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) on March 23, 1999, for a certificate of service authority to provide basic local telecommunications services to customers in Missouri.

The Commission issued its Notice of Applications and Opportunity to Intervene on April 6, 1999, directing parties wishing to intervene to file their requests by May 6, 1999.

On April 14, 1999, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWBT) filed a timely application to intervene. On May 24, 1999, the Commission issued its Order Granting Intervention and Directing Filing of Procedural schedule, allowing SWBT to intervene and ordering that a procedural schedule be filed no later than June 23, 1999.

On June 23, 1999, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission filed its Proposed Procedural Schedule. On June 30, 1999, the Commission entered its Order Adopting Procedural Schedule, which ordered,

inter alia, Payroll to file its direct testimony no later than July 28, 1999.

On July 22, 1999, Payroll filed its Motion for Extension of Time to File Direct Testimony. Payroll stated that difficulties had arisen with respect to the preparation of direct testimony, requiring Payroll to obtain exhibits and seek an extension of time to file such testimony. Payroll stated that the only party filing an objection to the application, the Office of the Public Counsel, had no objection to the extension. Payroll stated that it needed until August 4, 1999, to file its direct testimony. The Commission will grant that extension.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That Payroll Advance, Inc. shall file its direct testimony no later than 3:00 PM on August 4, 1999.

2. That this order shall become effective on August 2, 1999.

BY THE COMMISSION

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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 2nd day of August, 1999.