

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of St. Andrews)
Telecommunications, L.L.C., for a Certificate of) Case No. TA-99-600
Service Authority to provide Interexchange Tele-) Tariff No. 9900981
communications Services.)

ORDER APPROVING INTEREXCHANGE CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE AUTHORITY
AND ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

St. Andrews Telecommunications, L.L.C. (St. Andrews), applied to the Public Service Commission on June 16, 1999, for a certificate of service authority to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in Missouri under Section 392.440, RSMo 1994.¹ St. Andrews 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. St. Andrews is a Kansas corporation with its principal office located at 1611 St. Andrews Drive, Suite D, Lawrence, Kansas 66047.

The Commission issued a Notice of Applications for Intrastate Certificates of Service Authority and Opportunity to Intervene on June 22, directing parties wishing to intervene to file their requests by July 7. 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

¹ All statutory references are to the Revised States of Missouri 1994 unless otherwise indicated.

(Mo. App. 1989). Since no one has asked permission to intervene or requested a hearing, the Commission may grant the relief requested based on the verified application.

St. Andrews filed a proposed tariff in conjunction with its application and filed substitute sheets on July 20. The tariff's effective date is July 31. St. Andrews' tariff describes the rates, rules, and regulations it intends to use, identifies St. Andrews as a competitive company, and lists the waivers requested. St. Andrews intends to provide interexchange telecommunications services including 1+, 800/888/877 Services, Directory Assistance, and Travel Card services.

In its Memorandum filed on July 22, the Staff of the Commission (Staff) stated that St. Andrews' proposed services are similar to existing interexchange telecommunications offerings. Staff recommended that the Commission grant St. Andrews a certificate of service authority, competitive status, and waiver of the statutes and rules listed in the Notice. Staff recommended that the Commission approve the proposed tariff as amended to become effective on July 31.

The Commission finds that competition in the intrastate interexchange telecommunications market is in the public interest and St. Andrews should be granted a certificate of service authority. The Commission finds that the services St. Andrews proposes to offer are competitive and St. Andrews should be classified as a competitive company. The Commission finds that waiving the statutes and Commission rules set out in the ordered paragraph below is reasonable and not detrimental to the public interest.

The Commission finds that St. Andrews' proposed tariff details the services, equipment, and pricing it proposes to offer, and is similar to tariffs approved for other Missouri certificated inter-exchange carriers. The Commission finds that the proposed tariff filed on June 16 shall be approved as amended to become effective on July 31.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That St. Andrews Telecommunications, L.L.C., is granted a certificate of service authority to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in the state of Missouri, subject to all applicable statutes and Commission rules except as specified in this order.

2. That St. Andrews Telecommunications, L.L.C., is classified as a competitive telecommunications company. Application of the following statutes and regulatory rules shall be waived:

Statutes

392.240(1) - ratemaking
392.270 - valuation of property (ratemaking)
392.280 - depreciation accounts
392.290 - issuance of securities
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 240-30.010(2)(C) - rate schedules
4 CSR 240-30.040 - Uniform System of Accounts
4 CSR 240-32.030(1)(B) - exchange boundary maps
4 CSR 240-32.030(1)(C) - record-keeping
4 CSR 240-32.030(2) - in-state record-keeping
4 CSR 240-32.050(3) - local office record-keeping

- 4 CSR 240-32.050(4) - telephone directories
- 4 CSR 240-32.050(5) - call intercept
- 4 CSR 240-32.050(6) - telephone number changes
- 4 CSR 240-32.070(4) - public coin telephone
- 4 CSR 240-33.030 - minimum charges rule
- 4 CSR 240-33.040(5) - financing fees

3. That the tariff filed by St. Andrews Telecommunications, L.L.C., on June 16, 1999, and assigned Tariff File No. 9900981, is approved as amended to become effective on July 31, 1999. The tariff approved is:

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- 4. That this order shall become effective on July 31, 1999.
- 5. That this case may be closed on August 2, 1999.

BY THE COMMISSION

Dale Hardy Roberts

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Nancy Dippell, 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 28th day of July, 1999.

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