

STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office
in Jefferson City on the 15th
day of April, 1994.

In the matter of the revised tariff filing of)
Orchard Farm Telephone Company for authority)
to implement a promotion to waive a portion) CASE NO. TT-94-298
of the line connection charge associated with)
initiating new residents and business tele-)
communication service.)

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

On March 25, 1994, Orchard Farm Telephone Company (Orchard Farm or Company) filed a proposed tariff with the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) designed to establish a promotion intended to attract new customers subscribing to residence or business basic telephone services. Orchard Farm provides basic local service to approximately 650 access lines in St. Charles County, Missouri. Orchard Farm proposes to waive one-half of the applicable service line connection charge for new subscribers for a period running through June 30, 1994. The Company has filed a Motion For Expedited Consideration Of Tariff Filing requesting approval of its proposed tariff on less than the thirty days notice required by statute. Section 392.220.2, RSMo Supp., 1993. The Company requests the expedited treatment to enable it to begin to recoup some of the revenues it has lost due to the flood of 1993. On March 31, 1994, the Company filed a substitute tariff sheet to replace the sheet previously filed.

On April 13, 1994, the Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed a memorandum giving its recommendation. Staff stated that it had reviewed the proposed tariff sheet and that Staff has no objection to the proposed promotion on an expedited basis. Staff pointed out that approval of the promotion would in no way concede ratemaking treatment for the revenues the company alleged it

lost due to the flood of 1993. Staff recommended that the tariff be approved, effective April 24, 1994.

Having reviewed the Company's tariff and Staff's recommendation, the Commission finds that Orchard Farm's proposed tariff, filed March 25, 1994, and offering a waiver of the applicable service line connection charge until June 30, 1994, is in the public interest and should be approved. In approving this tariff the Commission makes no statement regarding the reasonableness of the costs associated with any losses of revenue due to the flood of 1993.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the tariff filed by Orchard Farm Telephone Company on March 25, 1994, is hereby approved for service on and after April 24, 1994. The tariff sheet approved is:

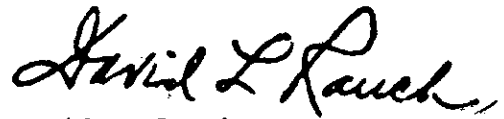
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Local Exchange Service

Section 4, First Revised Sheet No. 2, Cancelling Original Sheet No. 2.

2. That this order shall become effective on the 24th day of April, 1994.

BY THE COMMISSION



David L. Rauch
Executive Secretary

(S E A L)

Mueller, Chm., McClure, Perkins,
Kincheloe and Crumpton, CC., Concur.