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NYNEX Long Distance Company d/b/a Bell Atlantic Long Distance (Bell Atlantic) submitted tariff sheets for Commission approval on December 16, 1998, proposing to grandfather several existing calling plans and to clarify text or slightly modify text throughout the tariffs. Bell Atlantic's filing states that no customer will experience a rate change as a result of this filing. Bell Atlantic further stated that fewer than 26 customers will have the grandfathered calling plans in Missouri. Prior to removing these calling plans permanently, Bell Atlantic stated that the company will attempt to convert these customers to the current calling plans. Bell Atlantic stated that a separate tariff revision will be made before the grandfathered calling plans are discontinued and customer notice will be provided with ample lead time. No customer notice has been developed for this filing because Bell Atlantic stated that there is no material impact on customers at this time. The tariff sheets reflect an effective date of January 14, 1999 but Bell Atlantic requested expedited handling by December 28. On December 30, 1998, Bell Atlantic filed substitution sheets with the Commission. On January 6, 1999, the company filed a notice extending the effective date of the tariff sheets to January 15.

On January 6, 1999, the Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed its memorandum recommending the Commission approve Bell Atlantic's tariff sheets. In its memorandum, Staff stated that Bell Atlantic proposes to grandfather the Obsolete Service Offering calling plans, make minor textual changes and make one rate reduction.

Staff described the Obsolete Service Offerings as those services available only to existing customers until the current customers can be migrated to the current calling plans. The company stated that it proposes to eliminate the following calling plans:

- NYNEX Long Distance Flat Rate Plan for Residence Service
- NYNEX Long Distance Northeast Plan for Residence Service
- NYNEX Long Distance Business Flat Rate Plan
- NYNEX Long Distance Northeast Business Plan
- NYNEX Long Distance Business Volume Discount Plan
- NYNEX Long Distance Business Toll Free Service
- NYNEX Long Distance Prepaid Calling Card Service
- NYNEX Long Distance Teleconference Service
- NYNEX Long Distance Fax Service

Staff further stated that Bell Atlantic no longer offers the following special promotions which expired on December 31, 1997:

- Free Month of Service
- Free Minutes Bonus
- Signing Bonus Business
- Win Back Platinum Plus
- Win Back Platinum
- Win Back Silver

Staff's memorandum further stated that Bell Atlantic proposes to eliminate the Service Rates and Charges for NYNEX Long Distance Calling Card Service and NYNEX Long Distance Personal Toll Free Services for Residence. Both plans will be eliminated with no customers affected. Finally, Staff stated that the company plans to decrease the rate on NYNEX Long Distance Base Plan for Residence

Service from \$0.3500 to \$0.2900 per minute (peak) and from \$0.3000 to \$0.1900 per minute (off-peak).

Staff stated that it has no objections to the tariff filing and recommends the Commission approve the tariffs, as amended.

The Commission has reviewed the tariff filing, the amendments, and Staff's memorandum. The Commission finds that the tariff sheets, as amended, are reasonable and should be approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That Tariff No. 9900461, submitted in File No. TT-99-273 by NYNEX Long Distance Company d/b/a Bell Atlantic Long Distance on December 16, 1998, and amended on December 30, 1998, is hereby approved for service on or after January 15, 1999. The tariff sheets approved are:

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2. That this order shall become effective on January 15, 1999.
3. That this case may be closed January 16, 1999.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Shelly A. 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 14th day of January, 1999.

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