STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 18th day of February, 1994.

In the matter of United Telephone Company of Missouri's) tariff revision designed to change rate design groups) Case No. TT-94-237 for certain exchanges in Missouri.

ORDER APPROVING TARIFFS

On February 3, 1994, United Telephone Company of Missouri (United) submitted proposed tariffs to change the rate group classification for four exchanges. The Weston exchange would move from Rate Group I to Rate Group II while the Oak Grove, Ferrelview and Fort Leonard Wood would change from Rate Group II to Rate Group III.

United states that the Weston exchange is currently in Rate Group I (1 to 1,300 access lines) but now qualifies for Rate Group II (1,301 to 4,000 access lines) based on United's access line growth data. According to United's general exchange tariff, the total number of exchange access line arrangements included within the service area of each exchange determines the rate group for that exchange. United provided attachments indicating that the Weston exchange has exceeded 1,300 access lines and that the Oak Grove, Ferrelview and Fort Leonard Wood exchanges have exceeded 4,000 access lines for the last four months.

United states that approximately 14,009 customers would be affected by this proposal. In accordance with United's tariff, United stated it will run a legal advertisement in all newspapers of general circulation in the four exchanges. In addition, although not required by tariff, United states it

will produce a bill insert which will be included in the customer's first bill that reflects the new rate as set out in Attachment 3. United states that the proposed revision would create an annual revenue increase of approximately \$124,182. The rate increase per customer would range from \$0.30 to \$2.70 per month depending on the current grade of service, as set out in Attachment 1. United requests Commission approval on less than thirty days notice to facilitate plans to run legal advertisements and make the necessary billing modifications.

On February 14, 1994, the Commission's Staff (Staff) filed its recommendation stating that it had no objection to the proposed tariffs and that it was unaware of any filing which would affect or would be affected by this filing. Staff proposes an effective date of February 21, 1994, for the proposed tariffs.

After reviewing the proposed tariffs and attachments and Staff's recommendation, the Commission determines and finds that the proposed tariffs are appropriate and fair and reasonable and should be approved for telephone service. The Commission also finds good cause to approve an effective date of February 21, 1994.

IT IS THEREPORE ORDERED:

1. That the proposed tariffs filed by United Telephone Company of Missouri on February 3, 1994, be hereby approved for telephone service rendered on and after February 21, 1994:

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2. That this order shall become effective on the 21st day of February, 1994.

BY THE COMMISSION

David L. Rauch

Executive Secretary

(SEAL)

Mueller, Chm., McClure and Kincheloe, CC., concur. Perkins and Crumpton, CC., absent.