STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION JEFFERSON CITY May 9, 2000

CASE NO: TE-2000-678

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Enclosed find certified copy of an ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,

Dale Hardy Roberts

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of a Request by Chariton)
Valley Telephone Corporation for an) Case No. TE-2000-678
Extension of time in Which to File its)
1999 Annual Report)

ORDER EXTENDING TIME TO FILE ANNUAL REPORT

Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-10.080(1), "[a]ll public utilities subject to the jurisdiction of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall file an annual report with the commission on or before April 15 of each year."

On April 25, 2000, Chariton Valley Telephone Corporation (Chariton) requested an extension of time to file its 1999 annual report. Chariton filed the original and 15 copies of its annual report along with this application. Chariton stated that it had mistakenly interpreted Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.050(1) to require filing of the annual report on April 17, 2000. Chariton stated that no customer, carrier, nor any member of the public will be prejudiced by granting the application for extension. No objections to Chariton's application were received.

The Commission finds that Chariton's failure to timely comply with Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-10.080(1) was caused by excusable neglect and that Chariton should be granted additional time to comply.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

 That Chariton Valley Telephone Corporation's Application for Extension of Time in Which to File Annual Report filed April 25, 2000,



is granted, and the annual report deadline requirement of 4 CSR 240-10.080 is waived permitting the filing of Chariton Valley Telephone Corporation's annual report on April 25, 2000.

- 2. That this order shall become effective on May 19, 2000.
- 3. That this case may be closed on May 22, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(SEAL)

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 9th day of May, 2000.

STATE OF MISSOURI OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and ${\mathbb I}$ do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 2th day of May 2000.

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Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge