

STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office
in Jefferson City on the 14th
day of November, 1986.

Case No. TO-84-222

In the matter of the investigation
into WATS resale by hotels/motels.

Case No. TO-84-223

In the matter of the investigation
into WATS resale applications for
certificates of public convenience
and necessity.

Case No. TC-85-126

In the matter of the investigation
into the reasonableness of permitting
competition in the intraLATA
telecommunications market in Missouri.

Case No. TO-85-130

In the matter of the Missouri
interLATA access charge and intraLATA
toll pools.

ORDER

On October 9, 1986, MCI Telecommunications Corporation (MCI) filed its motion to establish procedures for the implementation of intrastate access services tariffs. Therein, MCI requests that all parties and intervenors in this proceeding be served with a copy of each local exchange carrier's intrastate access tariffs. MCI also requests that such tariffs, when filed, be suspended for a minimum of thirty days and that all parties and intervenors be given thirty days from the date of filing of each intrastate access tariff in which to conduct discovery and submit comments to the Commission.

By letter filed October 20, 1986, Southwestern Bell indicated that it opposes MCI's motion to establish procedures.

Thereafter, on October 28, 1986, MCI responded to Southwestern Bell's letter by explaining that the purpose of its motion is to transform the informal cooperation of the parties into a formal schedule so as to make certain that all parties are aware of the timetable.

On November 5, 1986, Continental Telephone Company of Missouri, Missouri Telephone Company and Fidelity Telephone Company filed a response in opposition to MCI's motion. Therein, it is pointed out that all of the intrastate access services tariffs bear an effective date of January 1, 1987, which gives the parties approximately sixty days within which to review these tariffs. The aforementioned independent companies believe that with the cooperation of the parties, the sixty-day period between the filing of the tariffs and the proposed effective date will be sufficient for review and approval of the tariffs.

Having considered the pleadings on this subject, the Commission is of the opinion that MCI's motion should be denied. The Commission believes that proceeding informally at this time will allow the parties the flexibility necessary to accomplish a complete review of the tariffs by January 1, 1987. The Commission is of the opinion that each local exchange company should make available copies of the subject tariffs for review by any interested party. Further, upon request, all parties should provide all non-confidential information concerning the tariffs on an expedited basis.

By denying MCI's motion at this time, the Commission does not intend to close the possibility of scheduling a posthearing conference in this matter at some point in the future if necessary.

On October 29, 1986, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, General Telephone Company of the Midwest, Contel System of Missouri, Inc., Continental Telephone Company of Missouri, Fidelity Telephone Company, Missouri Telephone Company, The Missouri Independent Telephone Group and the Office of Public Counsel filed a request for an extension of time. Therein, the parties state that pursuant to the Commission's Report and Order, a series of meetings have been held among local

exchange industry members, Staff and Public Counsel to develop an acceptable primary carrier by toll center plan to replace the intraLATA toll pool. Substantial progress has been made and the parties allege that the remaining issues appear to be manageable. Because of the complexity of the issues to be resolved and a mutual desire to reach a complete resolution, the parties request an additional ninety days beyond October 31, 1986 to submit the proposed plan to the Commission.

The Commission is of the opinion that the request for an extension of time is reasonable and should be granted.

Also in regard to the matter of replacement of the intraLATA toll pool the Commission notes that MCI and US Sprint Communications Company (US Sprint) have filed requests to participate in negotiations to develop a replacement mechanism. The Commission is of the opinion that MCI and US Sprint as well as any other interested toll providers or industry representatives should be included in discussions relating to the development of a replacement plan.

Finally, on November 12, 1986, Staff filed a motion for extension of time for filing proposed revised jurisdictional reporting requirements. Staff states that due to the complexity in the number of pressing, high priority issues, the parties have been unable to meet the deadline for providing revised jurisdictional reporting requirements. Staff requests an extension of approximately one hundred twenty days beyond the October 31, 1986 deadline until March 1, 1987 for the submission of revised jurisdiction reporting requirements. The Commission is of the opinion that Staff's request is reasonable and should be granted.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED: 1. That MCI's motion to establish procedures for the implementation of intrastate access service tariffs be, and the same is, hereby denied.

ORDERED: 2. That the parties are directed to cooperate in the exchange of information on an expedited basis so that all parties will have an opportunity to fully review and comment on the tariff filings.

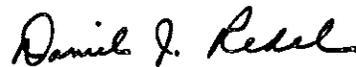
ORDERED: 3. That the request for an extension of time in which to file a plan for the replacement of the intraLATA toll pool be, and the same is, hereby granted. The deadline for filing the replacement plan is hereby extended to January 29, 1987.

ORDERED: 4. That MCI's and US Sprint's request to participate in all proceedings and discussions concerning replacement of the intraLATA toll pool is hereby granted.

ORDERED: 5. That Staff's request for an extension of time until March 1, 1987 for the filing of proposed revised jurisdictional reporting requirements is hereby granted.

ORDERED: 6. That this order shall become effective on the date hereof.

BY THE COMMISSION



Daniel J. Redel
Acting Secretary

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Steinmeier, Chm., Musgrave, Mueller,
Hendren and Fischer, CC., Concur.