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 August, 1995.

In the matter of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company's proposed tariff sheets designed to waive nonrecurring service rearrangement charges for reconfiguration as a result of local transport restructuring.

Case No. TT-95-393

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

On May 2, 1995, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWBT) submitted proposed tariff sheets to waive the nonrecurring service rearrangement charges for interexchange carriers (IXCs) who elect to reconfigure their networks as a result of Local Transport Restructuring. Pursuant to a request of the parties to this case the Commission, on June 27, 1995, cancelled the prehearing conference which had been scheduled for July 5, 1995.

On July 24, 1995, the Telecommunications Department Staff of the Public Service Commission (Staff) filed its Memorandum in which it recommended approval of the tariff. Staff has stated in its Memorandum that it has engaged in negotiations and discussions with SWBT officials about the proposed tariff. Staff states that the proposal is similar to Tariff File No. 9400319 which has previously been approved by the Commission. That filing waived the rearrangement charges beginning January 20, 1994 and ending on June 1, 1994. The proposed tariff associated herein simply requests to extend the waiver through December 31, 1995. Staff reports that SWBT officials acknowledged an "oversight" in waiting until May 1995 to request an extension of a waiver that expired in June 1994.

The Commission has reviewed the Staff Memorandum and the entirety of the file and finds that inasmuch as waiving service/rearrangement charges for IXCs who modernize or reconfigure their networks creates a reduction in charges it is therefore in the public interest. The Commission further finds that waiving these charges may serve as additional encouragement for the IXCs to modernize or rearrange portions of their networks and this result, too, is in the public interest.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the proposed tariff sheets herein shall be approved for service on and after August 16, 1995:

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Access Service Tariff, Section 6 6th Revised Sheet 71.02, Replacing 5th Revised Sheet 71.02

2. That this order shall become effective on August 16, 1995.

BY THE COMMISSION

David L. Rauch

Executive Secretary

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Kincheloe, Crumpton and Drainer, CC., Concur. Mueller, Chm. and McClure, C., Absent.