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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Quick-Tel)
Communications, Inc., for Certificates of)
Service Authority to Provide Prepaid Basic Local)
Telecommunications Services and Exchange Access)
Services and to Classify Such Services as Com-)
petitive.)

Case No. TA-99-250

ORDER GRANTING INTERVENTION
AND DIRECTING FILING OF PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Quick-Tel Communications, Inc. (Quick-Tel) filed an application on December 4, 1998, for a certificate of service authority to provide basic local telecommunications services and exchange access services in certain areas of the state of Missouri under 4 CSR 240-2.060(4). Applicant wishes to provide resold services in all exchanges served by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, GTE Midwest Incorporated, and Sprint Missouri, Inc. d/b/a Sprint. On December 8, 1998, the Commission issued a Notice of Applications and Opportunity to Intervene directing interested parties to file applications to intervene no later than January 7, 1999.

On January 12, 1999, the Commission issued a Notice of Correction in the Schedule of Applicants and Opportunity to Intervene order, noting that the December 8, 1998 Schedule of Applicants incorrectly listed the tariff effective date as January 4, 1999. The correction notice indicated that the January 4 date was pulled from the illustrative tariff included with the application. However, the

Schedule of Applicants should have indicated that, due to the tariff being an illustrative tariff, there is no tariff effective date.

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWBT) filed a timely application to intervene on January 7, 1999. SWBT states that it has an interest in the Commission's decision in this case because it provides basic local exchange services and will be in direct competition with Quick-Tel if this certificate is granted. SWBT argues that no other party will adequately protect its interests in this matter and that its intervention would be in the public interest because of SWBT's expertise and experience in the telecommunications industry.

The Commission has reviewed the application and finds that it is in substantial compliance with Commission rules regarding intervention and that SWBT has an interest in this matter which is different from that of the general public. The Commission concludes that the request for intervention should be granted and that the parties should file a proposed procedural schedule. The procedural schedule must include dates for the filing of testimony and for a hearing. If no party requests a hearing, the Commission may grant the service authority and competitive classification requested without a hearing. State ex rel. Rex Deffenderfer Enterprises, Inc. v. Public Service Commission, 776 S.W.2d 494, 496 (Mo. App. 1989).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That Southwestern Bell Telephone Company is granted intervention in this case in accordance with 4 CSR 240-2.075(4).

2. That the parties shall file a proposed procedural schedule no later than February 16, 1999. The procedural schedule shall include either dates for the filing of testimony and for a hearing.

3. That this order shall become effective on February 5, 1999.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(S E A L)

Vicky Ruth, 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 5th day of February, 1999.