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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of St. John's)
Mercy Health System, d/b/a St. John's Mercy)
Hospital, for a Certificate of Service)
Authority to provide Shared Tenant Services)
in the State of Missouri.)

Case No. TA-99-417

ORDER GRANTING INTERVENTION, SETTING A PREHEARING CONFERENCE
AND DIRECTING FILING OF PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

On March 30, 1999, St. John's Mercy Health System, doing business as St. John's Mercy Hospital (Applicant), a Missouri corporation, filed an application with the Commission seeking authority to provide private shared tenant services (STS) at an office building located at 851 East Fifth Street, Washington, Missouri 63090, and at a hospital located at 200 Madison Street, Washington, Missouri 63090.

On April 6, 1999, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWBT) timely filed an application to intervene. SWBT states that Applicant proposes to provide STS in an exchange served by SWBT and that Applicant will be an "STS customer" of SWBT under a "Shared Tenant Services Arrangement" as set forth in Section 37 of SWBT's General Exchange Tariff. SWBT also states that, consequently, its interest is different from that of the general public and that interest cannot be represented adequately by any other party to this proceeding.

The Commission has reviewed the application to intervene and finds that it is in substantial compliance with Commission rules

regarding intervention and that SWBT has an interest in this matter different from that of the general public. The Commission will grant the request for intervention. An early prehearing conference should be scheduled to afford the parties the opportunity to discuss, define, and possibly resolve the issues presented in this case, and to discuss a procedural schedule. The Commission will also set a date for the filing of a proposed schedule in order to ensure that this case progresses toward a prompt resolution.

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 a prehearing conference shall be held on April 22, 1999, beginning at 10:00 a.m. The prehearing conference shall be held at the Commission's office on the fifth floor of the Harry S Truman State Office Building, 301 West High Street, Jefferson City, Missouri. Anyone wishing to attend who has special needs as addressed by the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the Missouri Public Service Commission at least ten (10) days before the prehearing conference at: Consumer Services Hotline - 1-800-392-4211 or TDD Hotline - 1-800-829-7541.

3. That the parties shall file a proposed procedural schedule no later than April 29, 1999. The procedural schedule shall include dates for the filing of testimony and for a hearing.

4. That this order shall become effective on April 22, 1999.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Dale Hardy Roberts". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Kevin A. Thompson, Deputy Chief 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 12th day of April, 1999.