BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter	of the Investigation int	o the)		
Exhaustion of	Central Office Codes in	the)	Case No.	TO-98-212
314 Numbering	Plan Area.)		
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ORDER SETTING LOCAL PUBLIC HEARINGS

On December 18, 1997, the Commission issued its Order Granting Intervention and Adopting Procedural Schedule, which established a deadline of December 29 for parties to propose times and locations for local public hearings. The Commission's Staff (Staff) and the Office of the Public Counsel (OPC) are the only parties that filed proposed times and locations.

Staff's Motion to Schedule Local Public Hearings contains proposed times and locations for three hearings. Staff suggested that the three hearings be held on Tuesday, January 20, 1998, at the University of Missouri-St. Louis, Harris-Stowe College, and the Commission's Chesterfield offices. OPC suggested that six hearings be held on January 20 and January 22, 1998. OPC suggested that hearings be held at the three locations suggested by Staff, but included three additional proposed locations: St. Peter's Rec-Plex or St. Peter's City Hall; St. Charles Community College; and City of Florissant Community Center. The Commission agrees that local public hearings should be scheduled because of the importance of number exhaustion to telecommunications customers in the 314 NPA, but finds that four hearings will be sufficient to provide the public with a reasonable opportunity to address the Commission and explain the public's concerns to the Commission. The Commission will hold public

hearings at its Chesterfield office, at the University of Missouri - St. Louis, at Harris-Stowe College and at St. Charles Community College.

The Commission's Information Officer should send notice of the hearings to the publisher of each newspaper located in the 314 NPA, and to members of the Missouri General Assembly representing customers in the 314 NPA. In addition, the Information Officer should provide similar notice to any radio and television stations located within the 314 NPA. The Commission's Records Department should serve a copy of this order on the County Commission of each county and the mayor of each municipality within the 314 NPA.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That requests for local public hearings filed by the Commission's Staff on December 23, 1997, and the Office of the Public Counsel on December 29, 1997, are granted, except that the times and locations for such hearings shall be as follows:

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 1998

6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Office of the Missouri Public Service Commission 815 Charter Commons Drive Suite 100B Chesterfield, Missouri

6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. St. Charles Community College Student Center Building Rooms SC 205 and 206 4601 Mid Rivers Mall Drive St. Peters, Missouri 63376

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23, 1998

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

University of Missouri-St. Louis JC Penney Building, Room 78 8001 Natural Bridge Road

St. Louis, Missouri 63121

2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Harris-Stowe State College Main Auditorium 3026 Laclede

St. Louis, Missouri 63103

- 2. That the Records Department and the Information Office of the Commission shall serve copies of this order and provide notice as described in this order.
- 3. That anyone with special needs as addressed by the Americans With Disabilities Act should contact the Missouri Public Service Commission as soon as possible at one of the following numbers: Consumer Services Hotline 1-800-392-4211 or TDD Hotline 1-800-829-7541.
 - 4. That this order shall become effective on January 13, 1998.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Amy E. Randles, 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 13th day of January, 1998.

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COMMISSION COUNSEL: PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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