STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 2nd day of March, 1999.

In the Matter of KLM Telephone Company's Modernization Plans Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-32.100.))	Case	No.	TO-97-555
In the Matter of the Local Exchange Telecommunications Companies' Modernization Plans Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-32.100.)	Case	No.	TO-93-309

ORDER REGARDING SECOND EXTENSION OF TIME TO COMPLETE NETWORK MODERNIZATION PLAN

The Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) issued an order in Case Nos. TO-97-555 and TO-93-309 on December 9, 1997 that approved KLM Telephone Company's (KLM) network modernization plan to meet the requirements of 4 CSR 240-32.100. The Stipulation and Agreement that was approved as part of that order provided that KLM would provide individual line service to all of its customers by December 31, 1998.

On December 31, 1998, KLM filed a Motion for Extension of Time within Which to Complete Network Modernization. At that time, KLM stated that the extension was necessary because it would not be able to complete the required upgrades on schedule because of bad weather and a defective piece of equipment. KLM requested that the completion date for the portion of its Modernization Plan that requires the provision of individual line service to all customers be extended from December 31,

1998 to January 31, 1999. The Commission granted KLM's request for extension of time by an order issued on January 19.

On February 10, KLM filed a Second Motion for Extension of Time within Which to Complete Network Modernization. In this second motion, KLM states that it has all the necessary cable in the ground to provide individual line service to the remaining eight party line customers in its Rich Hill exchange and the remaining four party line customers in its Richards exchange. However, it has experienced technical problems with the electronics necessary to switch these parties to single party service. KLM requests that it be granted an additional extension to February 28, 1999 for elimination of party line service for the twelve remaining customers. No party has filed a response to KLM's motion.

The Commission has reviewed KLM's request and finds that KLM has demonstrated good cause for an additional extension of time in which to complete the portion of its Modernization Plan that requires the provision of individual line service to all customers.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That KLM Telephone Company shall be given an extension of time from January 31, 1999 to February 28, 1999 for the completion of the portion of its Modernization Plan that requires the provision of individual line service to all customers.

2. That this order shall become effective on March 12, 1999.

BY THE COMMISSION

Hake Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(SEAL)

Lumpe, Ch., Crumpton, Murray, Schemenauer, and Drainer, CC., concur

Woodruff, Regulatory Law Judge