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STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 29th day of September, 1998.

In the Matter of the Cancellation of the)
Certificate of Service Authority and) Case No. TD-98-326
Tariffs of Interlink Telecommunications,)
Inc.)

ORDER DIRECTING FILING OF TARIFFS

Interlink Telecommunications, Inc. (Interlink) filed a letter with the Commission on February 3, 1998 asking that the Commission cancel Interlink's authorization and current tariff. In the letter, Interlink stated that it has offered services in Missouri through the sale of prepaid debit cards but that it had ceased offering intrastate telecommunications service in Missouri effective December 31, 1997. Interlink's letter further said that it had made arrangements with another carrier, Intellicall Operator Services (IOS), to honor Interlink's outstanding debit cards so that Interlink's customers would continue to have access to the services they had purchased.

On March 11, the Commission entered an Order Joining Necessary Party and Directing Filing of Tariffs and Staff Memorandum. By that order, IOS, the company that agreed to honor Interlink's debit cards, was joined as a party. IOS was also ordered to file tariffs or an adoption notice by April 27 if it did not have approved tariffs on file with the Commission that provide for service under the same rates, rules and regulations as the tariffs of Interlink.

The March 11 order also directed the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) to file a supplemental memorandum by March 26 addressing whether IOS has approved tariffs with the Commission that provide for service under the same rate, rules and regulations as the tariffs of Interlink. Staff's supplemental memorandum was filed on March 26 and indicates that IOS does have approved tariffs which include debit card services. However, IOS' debit card service is not offered under the same rates, rules and regulations as the debit card service that was offered by Interlink. Staff's supplemental memorandum incorporated a legal opinion from the Commission's General Counsel's office which concludes that IOS should not be required to adopt Interlink's tariff rates, terms, conditions and regulations relating to Interlink's prepaid debit card services.

Section 392.480, RSMo (1994) requires that all telecommunications services offered or provided by telecommunications companies shall be offered under tariff. By agreeing to honor Interlink's debit cards, IOS agreed to offer a service. However, IOS does not have a tariff in place which authorizes it to offer the services required by the Interlink debit cards. If IOS wishes to honor Interlink's debit cards, it must amend its tariffs.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That Intellicall Operator Services shall file tariffs by November 13, 1998 regarding the prepaid debit cards that it has agreed to honor on behalf of Interlink Telecommunications, Inc. Such tariffs must provide for services under the same rates, rules and regulations as the existing debit card tariffs of Interlink Telecommunications, Inc.

2. That this order shall become effective on October 9, 1998.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(SEAL)

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

Woodruff, Regulatory Law Judge

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