BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

| In the Matter of the Application of the |) | | |
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| Stoutland Telephone Company for Authority to |) | | |
| Amend the Terms of a Note from the Rural |) | Case No. | TF-98-132 |
| Utilities Service, United States Department |) | | |
| of Agriculture. |) | | |

ORDER DIRECTING REPORTS

On February 10, 1998, the Commission issued an order which authorized Stoutland Telephone Company (Stoutland) to borrow the remainder of the \$945,000 loan from the Rural Utilities Service for Project Designation "Missouri 591-88 Stoutland," as set forth in the agreement attached as Exhibit 1 to the company's application. The order directed Stoutland to file with the Commission all documents relating to the financial transactions approved in the order within 30 days of the closing date.

On March 15, 1999, Stoutland filed a final, executed copy of the Basis Date Agreement, stating that this is the only document pertinent to the transaction. Stoutland notes that it had not, to that date, drawn any of the funds authorized in the transaction, so no journal entries had been filed pursuant to Ordered Paragraph 6 of the order.

The Commission will direct Stoutland to file a status report with the Commission. Furthermore, Staff will be directed to file a report recommending whether any additional documentation or action is necessary and whether the case may be closed.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That Stoutland Telephone Company shall file a status report with the Commission regarding the status of the approved loan no later than January 27, 2000.
- 2. That the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall file a report with the Commission recommending whether any additional documentation or action is necessary, and stating whether the case may be closed. Staff shall file its report no later than February 7, 2000.
 - 3. That this order shall become effective on January 7, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(SEAL)

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 28th day of December, 1999.

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