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BEFORE THE MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION JUN 20 2001

In the matter of the Application of )  
Big River Telephone Company, LLC for )  
certificates of service authority to )  
provide Basic Local, Local Exchange, Exchange )  
Access, and Interexchange Telecommunications )  
Services in the State of Missouri and to classify )  
said services and the company as competitive. )

Missouri Public  
Service Commission

Case No. TA - 2001 - 699

**MOTION FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT**

COMES NOW Big River Telephone Company, LLC ("Big River" or "Applicant"), pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.080(17) and for its Motion for Expedited Treatment states to the Commission as follows:

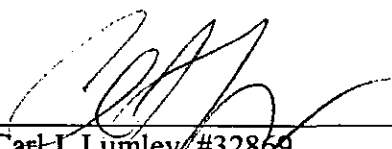
1. Applicant has herein filed an Application for Certificates of Service Authority to Provide Basic Local, Local Exchange, Exchange Access and Interexchange Telecommunications Services and for Competitive Classification.

2. An expedited decision herein is essential to afford Applicant full opportunity to conclude the planned acquisition of the assets and customer base of LDD, Inc. (described in the Application and to be submitted for approval by separate action) in a timely manner to enable a seamless transition in service providers without interruption of service. Applicant only recently concluded its negotiations with LDD, Inc. and has filed its Application as soon as possible.

3. Applicant submits that there will be no undue negative effect on customers or the general public if the Commission acts as soon as possible and grants the requested relief.

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests the Commission to expedite its handling of the Application on this case and issue its decision in this case before August 15, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,



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