

STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
JEFFERSON CITY

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CASE NO: TA-2001-699

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Enclosed find certified copy of an ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

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,) **Case No. TA-2001-699**
and Interexchange Telecommunications Services in the)
State of Missouri and to Classify Said Services and the)
Company as Competitive.)

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

On June 20, 2001, Big River Telephone Company, LLC (Big River), filed an application for authority to provide basic local exchange, local exchange, exchange access, and interexchange telecommunications services. On the same date, Big River filed a motion for expedited treatment, stating that an expedited decision is needed to allow it to conclude a planned acquisition of the assets and customer base of LDD, Inc., in a timely manner. Big River requests that the Commission issue its decision in this case before August 15, 2001.

In order that the Commission may consider Big River's application expeditiously, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) will be directed to file a status report notifying the Commission of the date certain whereon Staff anticipates filing its recommendation and memorandum regarding the application.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Staff of the Commission shall file a status report no later than July 19, 2001, notifying the Commission of the date certain whereon Staff anticipates filing its recommendation and memorandum regarding the application for service authority to

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provide basic local, local exchange, exchange access, and interexchange telecommunications services.

2. That this order shall become effective on July 19, 2001.

BY THE COMMISSION



**Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

(S E A L)

Vicky Ruth, Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

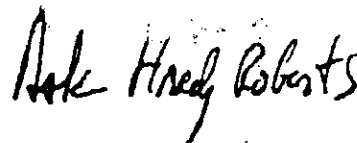
Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 9th day of July, 2001.

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and
I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City,
Missouri, this 9th day of July 2001.



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

