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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Request of)	
Comm South Companies, Inc. for)	Case No. TO-98-458
Extension of Time to File its Annual)	
Report.)	

<u>ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE ANNUAL REPORT</u>

Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-10.080, "[a]11 public utilities subject to the jurisdiction of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall file an annual report with the commission on or before April 15 of each year." On April 15, 1998, Comm South Companies, Inc. (Comm South) filed a request with the Commission for an extension of time until May 15 to file its 1997 annual report. Comm South stated in its request that its audit of the financial statements has not been completed.

On April 27, the Staff of the Commission filed a memorandum recommending that the request be approved. Staff also stated that Missouri Comm received its certificate in December, 1997.

The Commission stresses that Comm South should strive in the future to meet required filing deadlines, however, the Commission determines that the request for extension should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That Comm South Companies, Inc. shall have until May 15, 1998, in which to file its 1997 annual report with the Commission.

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- 2. That this order shall become effective on May 4, 1998.
- 3. That this case may be closed on May 15, 1998.

BY THE COMMISSION

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-Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Nancy Dippell, 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 4th day of May, 1998.