

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Investigation into)
the Earnings of McDonald County Telephone)
Company.)
Case No. TR-98-347
Tariff No. 9900863

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

On April 8, 1999, the Commission approved a revised stipulation and agreement filed by the Staff of the Public Service Commission (Staff), McDonald County Telephone Company (McDonald County) and the Office of the Public Counsel (Public Counsel). The revised stipulation and agreement resulted from an earnings investigation undertaken by Staff and subsequent negotiations between the parties. McDonald County filed tariff sheets on May 5, with an effective date of June 16, reflecting the revised rates and terms in accordance with the revised stipulation and agreement approved in the April 8 order. McDonald County submitted substitute tariff sheets on June 4.

The Commission's Staff reviewed the tariff sheets and filed a memorandum on June 7, indicating that the submitted tariff filing is in compliance with the Commission's order of April 8. The memorandum recommends that the Commission approve the submitted tariffs as amended by the substitute sheets, effective on June 16.

The Commission has reviewed the tariff sheets and Staff's recommendation and finds that the tariff sheets, as amended, conform to

the Commission's order of April 8 and should be approved to become effective on June 16.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

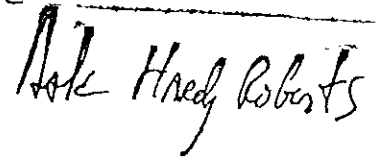
1. That the tariff filed by McDonald County Telephone Company on May 5, 1999, and assigned tariff number 9900863, is approved as amended to become effective on June 16, 1999. The tariff approved is:

McDonald County Telephone Company
P.S.C. Mo. No. 5 Canceling P.S.C. Mo. No. 4
Original Sheets 1 through 4
Original Sheets 1-1 through 1-5
Original Sheets 2-1 through 2-4
Original Sheets 3-1 through 3-23
Original Sheets 4-1 through 4-18
Original Sheets 5-1 through 5-8
Original Sheets 6-1 through 6-33
Original Sheets 7-1 through 7-6
Original Sheets 8-1 through 8-4
Original Sheets 9-1 through 9-4
Original Sheets 10-1 through 10-2
Original Sheets 11-1 through 11-3
Original Sheets 12-1 through 12-6
Original Sheet 13-1
Original Sheets 14-1 through 14-8
Original Sheets 15-1 through 15-9
Original Sheets 16-3 through 16-10
Original Sheets 17-1 through 17-7

2. That this order shall become effective on June 16, 1999.

3. That this case may be closed on June 17, 1999.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Dale Hardy Roberts". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(S E A L)

Morris L. Woodruff, 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 14th day of June, 1999.

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION