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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of BellSouth BSE,)
Inc. for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity) Case No. TA-98-124
to Provide Basic Local Exchange and Interexchange)
Telecommunications Services Throughout Missouri.)

ORDER ADOPTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

BellSouth BSE, Inc. (BellSouth) filed an application for a certificate of service authority to provide basic local and interexchange telecommunications services on September 18, 1997.

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, the Small Telephone Company Group, Fidelity Telephone Company, and Bourbeuse Telephone Company were granted intervention on October 31, and the parties were directed to file a proposed procedural schedule no later than November 14. BellSouth filed a Procedural Schedule for Filing Stipulation and Agreement on November 14. BellSouth stated that the parties were agreed that a Stipulation and Agreement can be filed by November 21, and asked the Commission to approve this date as the procedural schedule for the case.

The Commission has considered BellSouth's motion and will adopt the proposed procedural schedule. The parties shall file a stipulation no later than November 21 or, if no agreement can be reached, a proposed procedural schedule with dates for the filing of testimony.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the parties shall file a Stipulation and Agreement or, if no agreement can be reached, a proposed procedural schedule no later than November 21, 1997.

2. That this order shall become effective on November 20, 1997.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dale Hardy Roberts". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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L. Anne Wickliffe, Deputy Chief
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 20th day of November, 1997.