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**STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service  
Commission held at its office  
in Jefferson City on the 27th  
day of June, 1997.

In the Matter of the Application of SeTel, L.L.C., )  
for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Competi- ) Case No. TA-97-503  
tive Intrastate Telecommunications Services in )  
Missouri. )  
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**ORDER APPROVING INTEREXCHANGE CERTIFICATE  
OF SERVICE AUTHORITY AND ORDER APPROVING TARIFF**

SeTel, L.L.C. (SeTel or Applicant) applied to the Public Service Commission on May 21, 1997, for a certificate of service authority to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in Missouri under § 392.440, RSMo 1994<sup>1</sup>. SeTel asked the Commission to classify it as a competitive company and waive certain statutes and rules as authorized by §§ 392.361 and 392.420. Applicant is a Tennessee limited liability company, with its principal office at 500 Royal Parkway, Nashville, Tennessee 37214.

The Commission issued a Notice of Applications and Opportunity to Intervene on May 27, directing parties wishing to intervene in the case to file their requests by June 11. The requirement for a hearing is met when the opportunity for hearing has been provided and no proper party has requested the opportunity to present evidence. State ex rel. Rex Deffenderfer Enterprises, Inc. v. Public Service Commission, 776 S.W.2d 494, 496 (Mo. App. 1989). Since no one has asked permission to intervene

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<sup>1</sup> All statutory references are to the Revised Statutes of Missouri 1994 or the 1996 Supplement.

or requested a hearing in this case, the Commission may grant the relief requested based on the verified application.

SeTel filed a proposed tariff in conjunction with its application and filed substitute sheets on June 19. The tariff's effective date is June 30. SeTel's tariff describes the rates, rules, and regulations it intends to use, identifies SeTel as a competitive company, and lists the waivers requested. SeTel intends to provide interexchange telecommunications services including 1+ direct dial, 800 number, directory assistance, debit card, and travel card services.

In its Memorandum filed on June 19 the Staff of the Commission stated that Applicant's proposed services are similar to existing IXC offerings. Staff recommended that the Commission grant Applicant a certificate of service authority, competitive status, and waiver of the statutes and rules listed in the Notice. Staff recommended that the Commission approve the proposed tariff to become effective on June 30.

The Commission finds that competition in the intrastate interexchange telecommunications market is in the public interest and Applicant should be granted a certificate of service authority. The Commission finds that the services Applicant proposes to offer are competitive and Applicant should be classified as a competitive company. The Commission is of the opinion that waiving the statutes and Commission rules set out in Ordered Paragraph 2 is reasonable and not detrimental to the public interest.

The Commission determines, by authority of § 392.470, that Applicant should comply with the following regulatory requirements as reasonable and necessary conditions of certification:

- (1) Applicant must comply with reasonable requests by Staff for financial and operating data to allow Staff to monitor the intraLATA toll market. § 386.320.3.
- (2) Applicant must file tariffs containing rules and regulations applicable to customers, a description of the services provided, and a list of rates associated with those services in accordance with 4 CSR 240-30.010 and § 392.220.
- (3) Applicant may not unjustly discriminate between its customers. §§ 392.200, 392.400.
- (4) Applicant must comply with all applicable rules of the Commission except those specifically waived by this order. §§ 386.570, 392.360.
- (5) Applicant must file a Missouri-specific annual report. §§ 392.210, 392.390.1.
- (6) Applicant must comply with jurisdictional reporting requirements as set out in each local exchange company's access services tariffs. § 392.390.3.
- (7) Applicant must submit to the staff, on a confidential basis, a copy of the jurisdictional report it submits to local exchange companies. The report must be submitted within ten (10) days of the date on which it is submitted to the local exchange company.

The Commission finds that SeTel's proposed tariff details the services, equipment, and pricing it proposes to offer, and is similar to tariffs approved for other Missouri certificated interexchange carriers. The Commission finds that the proposed tariff filed on May 21 and amended on June 19 should be approved to become effective on June 30.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That SeTel, L.L.C. is granted a certificate of service authority to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in the state of Missouri, subject to the conditions of certification set out above.

2. That SeTel, L.L.C. is classified as a competitive telecommunications company. The following statutes and regulatory rules shall be waived:

**Statutes**

392.240(1) - ratemaking  
392.270 - valuation of property (ratemaking)  
392.280 - depreciation accounts  
392.290 - issuance of securities  
392.310 - stock and debt issuance  
392.320 - stock dividend payment  
392.330 - issuance of securities, debts and notes  
392.340 - reorganization(s)

**Commission Rules**

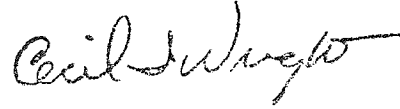
4 CSR 240-10.020 - depreciation fund income  
4 CSR 240-30.010(2)(C) - rate schedules  
4 CSR 240-30.040 - Uniform System of Accounts  
4 CSR 240-32.030(1)(B) - exchange boundary maps  
4 CSR 240-32.030(1)(C) - record-keeping  
4 CSR 240-32.030(2) - in-state record-keeping  
4 CSR 240-32.050(3) - local office record keeping  
4 CSR 240-32.050(4) - telephone directories  
4 CSR 240-32.050(5) - call intercept  
4 CSR 240-32.050(6) - telephone number changes  
4 CSR 240-32.070(4) - public coin telephone  
4 CSR 240-33.030 - minimum charges rule  
4 CSR 240-33.040(5) - financing fees

3. That the tariff filed by SeTel, L.L.C. on May 21, 1997, is approved as amended to become effective on June 30, 1997. The tariff approved is:

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4. That this order shall become effective on June 30, 1997.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Cecil I. Wright", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Cecil I. Wright  
Executive Secretary

( S E A L )

Crompton, Drainer, Murray  
and Lumpe, CC., concur.  
Zobrist, Chm., absent.

ALJ: Wickliffe