

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

In the Matter of the Application of Big River )  
Telephone Company, LLC to Expand Its )  
Certificate of Basic Local Service Authority )  
to Include Provision of Basic Local Exchange )  
Telecommunications Service in the Exchanges )  
of BPS Telephone Company and to Continue )  
to Classify the Company and Its Services as )  
Competitive )

**Case No. TA-2007-0093**

**ORDER SETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE AND DIRECTING**  
**FILING OF A PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

Issue Date: September 29, 2006

Effective Date: September 29, 2006

On August 30, 2006, Big River Telephone Company, LLC ("Big River") applied for a certificate of service authority to provide basic local exchange telecommunications services within the state of Missouri, and for competitive classification. Big River seeks certification to provide basic local service in portions of Missouri that are currently being served by BPS Telephone Company ("BPS").

On September 5, 2006, the Commission issued its Notice of Applications, establishing a 15-day deadline for intervention. BPS filed a timely request to intervene, and was granted intervention on September 29, 2006. This matter is now at issue and a prehearing conference and procedural schedule are appropriate to ensure its prompt resolution.

**IT IS ORDERED THAT:**

1. The parties shall appear at a prehearing conference to be held on October 10, 2006, beginning at 3:00 p.m. The prehearing conference will be held in Room 310 at the Commission's offices in the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri, a building that meets the accessibility standards required by the Americans With Disabilities Act. Any person needing additional accommodations to participate in this prehearing conference should call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 or dial Relay Missouri at 711 prior to the conference.
2. The parties shall jointly prepare and file a proposed procedural schedule no later than October 17, 2006.
3. This order shall become effective on September 29, 2006.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



Colleen M. Dale  
Secretary

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Harold Stearley, Regulatory Law Judge,  
by delegation of authority pursuant  
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 29th day of September, 2006.