

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

In the Matter of the Application of Budget )  
PrePay, Inc. for Designation as an Eligible )  
Telecommunications Carrier for Purpose of ) **File No. TA-2010-0146**  
Receiving Low-Income and Disabled Customer )  
Support in AT&T Missouri Service Areas. )

**ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO  
SUSPEND FILING OF STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Issue Date: January 4, 2010

Effective Date: January 4, 2010

On November 12, 2009,<sup>1</sup> Budget PrePay, Inc., (hereafter, "Budget") requested designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) for the purpose of receiving low-income and disabled federal universal service support. The Commission ordered its Staff to file a Recommendation no later than December 18.

On December 16, Staff filed a Motion for Extension of Time. Staff explained that Budget supplemented its application on December 7, and that Budget will be unable to address Staff's concerns about the application by December 18. Thus, Staff moved the Commission for an extension of its deadline to file a Recommendation from December 18 to December 31. The Commission granted that motion.

On December 31, Staff filed a Motion to Suspend Filing of Staff Recommendation. Staff states that it has noticed a discrepancy between the rates reflected in Budget's tariff and the rates listed in Budget's application. Staff states that it can file a Recommendation within one week of Budget resolving this discrepancy, or, in the alternative, a status report no later than January 29, 2010. Staff states that Budget does not object to the motion.

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<sup>1</sup> All calendar references are to 2009 unless otherwise noted.

The Commission finds Staff's motion reasonable, and will grant it.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. The Motion to Suspend Filing of Staff Recommendation filed by the Staff of the Commission is granted.
2. The Staff of the Commission shall file its Recommendation or, in the alternative, a status report, no later than January 29, 2010.
3. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



Steven C. Reed  
Secretary

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Ronald D. Pridgin, Senior Regulatory Law  
Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant  
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2010.