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

In the Matter of the Application of Easy Telephone Service Company, d/b/a Easy Wireless for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier on a Wireless Basis (Low Income Only).

File No. TA-2011-0164

## **ORDER DIRECTING STAFF TO RESPOND**

Issue Date: March 8, 2011

Effective Date: March 8, 2011

On December 7, 2010, Easy Telephone Service Company, d/b/a Easy Wireless, applied for designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) on a wireless basis throughout the non-rural Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P., d/b/a AT&T Missouri exchanges described in its application. On February 4, 2011, the Commission's Staff filed a recommendation advising the Commission to approve Easy Telephone's application. However, on February 28, Staff filed an additional report and withdrew its recommendation.

Staff reported that it has received a report from a person at Universal Service Administrative Company, the administrator of the Universal Service Fund, indicating that it has received allegations of fraudulent activity by Easy Telephone or companies affiliated with Easy Telephone. Because of these allegations, Staff advised to the Commission to take no further action on Easy Telephone's application. The Commission directed Easy Telephone to respond to Staff's allegations by March 22.

The e-mail report that Staff filed is heavily redacted. On March 8, Easy Telephone filed a motion asking the Commission to order Staff to give it an unredacted copy of the e-mail. Easy Telephone reports that Staff counsel has refused to produce an unredacted copy unless ordered to do so by the Commission. Because it has been ordered to respond

to the allegations in the e-mail by March 22, Easy Telephone asks the Commission to expedite its consideration of its motion for disclosure of the unredacted document.

The Commission will direct Staff to respond to Easy Telephone's motion.

## THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Staff of the Commission shall respond to Easy Telephone Service Company, d/b/a Easy Wireless' Motion for Disclosure of Unredacted Document no later than March 10, 2011.

2. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

## BY THE COMMISSION

Steven C. Reed Secretary

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Morris L. Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2011.