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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of LCI )  
International Telecom Corp. for a )  
Certificate of Service Authority to Provide ) CASE NO. TA-98-8  
Basic Local Telecommunications Service in )  
Portions of the State of Missouri and to )  
Classify Said Services as Competitive. )

ORDER GRANTING INTERVENTION AND DIRECTING FILING OF PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

LCI International Telecom Corp. (LCI) filed an application on July 7, 1997, for a certificate of service authority to provide basic local telecommunications service in the State of Missouri under 4 CSR 240-2.060(4). Specifically, LCI wishes to provide resold and facilities-based services in the exchanges currently served by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWBT), GTE Midwest Incorporated (GTE) and United Telephone Company of Missouri d/b/a Sprint (Sprint-United). The Commission issued an order and notice, directing interested parties to file applications to intervene no later than August 11.

SWBT filed a timely application to intervene. SWBT states that it has a direct interest in the Commission's decision in this case because it provides basic local exchange services and will be in direct competition with this company if the certificate is granted. SWBT argues that no other party will adequately protect its interests in this matter and that its intervention would be in the public interest because of SWBT's expertise and experience in the telecommunications industry.

The Commission has reviewed the application and finds that it is in substantial compliance with Commission rules regarding intervention, and that the applicant has an interest in this matter which is different from that of the general public. The Commission concludes that the request

for intervention should be granted, and that the parties should file a proposed procedural schedule by September 12, which includes either dates for prefiled testimony and a hearing or a date by which a stipulation and agreement will be filed. If no party requests a hearing, the Commission may grant the service authority and competitive classification requested without a hearing.

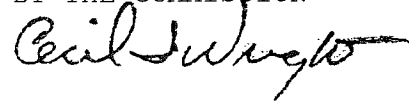
**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That Southwestern Bell Telephone Company is granted intervention in this case in accordance with 4 CSR 240-2.075(4).

2. That the parties shall file a proposed procedural schedule, which includes either dates for prefiled testimony and a hearing or a date by which a stipulation and agreement will be filed, no later than September 12, 1997.

3. That this order shall become effective on August 25, 1997.

BY THE COMMISSION



Cecil I. Wright  
Executive Secretary

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Elaine E. Bensavage, Administrative 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 25th day of August, 1997.