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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of ExOp of)
Missouri, Inc. for a Certificate of Service) **Case No. TA-97-193**
Authority to Provide Local Exchange Telecom-)
munications Services.)
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ORDER SETTING HEARING ON STIPULATION

The Commission has determined that a hearing is needed to enable the Commission to decide whether to approve the stipulation of the parties filed on May 19, 1997. The parties should come prepared to address, by sworn testimony, Commission questions on the issues of, among other things, the general service ExOp of Missouri, Inc. (ExOp) intends to offer, whether ExOp intends to be solely facilities-based or will resell some services, and the area where ExOp intends to provide service.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Commission will conduct a hearing on the Stipulation and Agreement submitted by the parties on Friday, October 3, 1997, at 1:30 p.m. in Room 520B, Harry S Truman State Office Building, 301 West High Street, Jefferson City, Missouri.
2. That the parties may present an order of witness presentation no later than September 29, 1997.
3. That any person with special needs as addressed by the Americans With Disabilities Act who wishes to attend the hearing should contact the Missouri Public Service Commission as soon as possible at one of the following numbers: Consumer Services Hotline - 1-800-392-4211, or TDD Hotline - 1-800-829-7541.

4. That this order shall become effective on September 19, 1997.

BY THE COMMISSION

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**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 19th day of September, 1997.