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Ray and Janet Heaton,)
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 Complainants,)
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 vs.) Case No.
) TC-2000-596
 Southwestern Bell Telephone)
 Company and AT&T Communications)
 of the Southwest, Inc.,)
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 Respondents.)

LEWIS R. MILLS, JR, Presiding,
DEPUTY CHIEF REGULATORY LAW JUDGE.

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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 JUDGE MILLS: We're on record this morning
3 for a prehearing conference in Case Number
4 TC-2000-596, styled Ray and Janet Heaton,
5 Complainants, versus Southwestern Bell Telephone
6 Company and AT&T Communications of the Southwest,
7 Inc., Respondents.

8 Let's begin by taking entries of
9 appearance starting on my left, Mr. Lane.

10 MR. LANE: Paul Lane, representing
11 Southwestern Bell Telephone Company. My address is
12 One Bell Center, Room 3520, St. Louis, Missouri
13 63101.

14 JUDGE MILLS: Mr. Bates?

15 MR. BATES: Bruce H. Bates, appearing for
16 the Staff of the Missouri Public Service
17 Commission. My address is Post Office Box 360,
18 Jefferson City Missouri 65102-0360.

19 JUDGE MILLS: Mr. DeFord?

20 MR. DEFORD: Paul DeFord, of the law firm
21 of Lathrop and Gage, 2345 Grand Boulevard, Kansas
22 City, Missouri 64108, appearing on behalf of AT&T
23 Communications of the Southwest, Incorporated.

24 JUDGE MILLS: Thank you.

25 I'll note for the record that it is a few

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1 minutes after ten o'clock. This prehearing was
2 scheduled to start at ten o'clock and no
3 representative of the Complainants is here as yet.
4 Is there anything that the parties want to
5 make a note of on the record this morning at this
6 prehearing conference or any matter that the
7 parties want to take up?
8 Mr. Lane?
9 MR. LANE: As I indicated when we were off
10 the record, your Honor, we have issued that Heatons
11 a credit for the amount that they have at issue in
12 the case, and so that may explain why they are not
13 here.
14 JUDGE MILLS: Mr. DeFord, do you have
15 anything?
16 MR. DEFORD: Yes, your Honor. I guess I
17 would just indicate that AT&T has advised the
18 Heatons that the amount in dispute isn't something
19 that the Company will attempt to collect. And once
20 we resolve this matter and bring it to conclusion,
21 we'll take that off of their bill.
22 JUDGE MILLS: Okay. Anything further?
23 MR. BATES: No, your Honor.
24 JUDGE MILLS: All right. Hearing nothing,
25 let's go off the record.

1 WHEREUPON, the on-the-record portion of
2 the prehearing conference was concluded.
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