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## STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 10th day of March, 1995.

In the mat	ter of Southwestern Bell Telephone	)	
Company's	tariff revisions designed to introduce	)	
MaxiMizer	800-Residential service and to change	)	Case No. TR-95-247
MaxiMizer	800-Business rates.	)	
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## ORDER DENYING APPLICATION FOR REHEARING

On February 22, 1995, the Commission issued an order rejecting proposed tariff sheet P.S.C. Mo.-No. 27, 3rd Revised Sheet 14.01 Replacing 2nd Revised Sheet 14.01, submitted by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWB) on January 27, 1995. Also in that order the Commission suspended the other proposed tariff sheets submitted by SWB on January 27, 1995. All of the proposed tariff sheets were designed to change the rates and rate structure of SWB's MaxiMizer 800 service. The Commission rejected proposed tariff sheet 14.01 because it now has pending, in Case No. TR-94-364, proposed rate bands submitted to revise the rates found on tariff sheet 14.01. The Commission suspended the other tariff sheets for further consideration.

On February 24, 1995, SWB filed a motion for rehearing of the Commission's February 22, 1995, order. SWB argues in its motion that "stacking" of tariff sheets has been accepted before by the Commission and so should not be the basis for rejecting proposed tariff sheet 14.01. SWB argues further that not allowing "stacking" is inconsistent with the purposes of Chapter 392, especially for a transitionally-competitive service such as MaxiMizer 800. SWB requests, at a minimum, that the other proposed tariff sheets be approved.

On March 6, 1995, MCI Telecommunications Corporation (MCI) and Commission Staff filed responses to SWB. MCI argues that the real objection to

proposed tariff sheet 14.01 is that it would establish rates below costs, which is an issue being decided in Case No. TR-94-364. Staff argues that full consideration of MaxiMizer 800 rate changes and rate structure changes should be withheld pending the decision in TR-94-364. This, Staff suggests, would allow an orderly and full review of these issues.

The Commission has considered SWB's motion and the responses and finds that the decision to reject proposed tariff sheet 14.01 and suspend the remaining tariff sheets is still reasonable and consistent with the provisions of Chapter 392. Sheet 14.01 contains the rates for MaxiMizer 800 service, and the Commission finds that to allow changes in rates while a rate band proposal is pending is not in the public interest. Any action taken by the Commission could be construed as prejudging the issues in TR-94-364, especially those involving the minimum rate in the proposed MaxiMizer 800 rate band. The Commission finds that the other proposed tariff sheets should remain suspended since the proposed changes in rate structure in the other sheets would create a new rate for residential customers but would keep business customers at current rates. Once the decision in TR-94-364 is issued, the Commission can address the rates proposed in this case.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- That Southwestern Bell Telephone Company's Motion For Rehearing is hereby denied.
  - 2. That this order shall become effective on the date hereof.

BY THE COMMISSION

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David L. Rauch Executive Secretary

Mueller, Chm., McClure, Perkins, Kincheloe and Crumpton, CC., concur.