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E.	ORDER OF	RULEMAKING: Rule Number	33.150
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NOTE: ALL changes MUST be specified here in order for those changes to be made in the rule as published in the *Missouri Register* and the *Code of State Regulations*.

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July 6, 2004

Hon. Matt Blunt Secretary of State Administrative Rules Division 600 West Main Street Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Blunt,

Re: Final Order of Rulemaking 4 CSR 240-33.150 Verification of Orders for Changing Telecommunications Service Provider.

#### CERTIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULE

I hereby certify that the attached is an accurate and complete copy of the proposed amendment lawfully submitted by the Missouri Public Service Commission for filing on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of July 2004.

Statutory Authority: Sections 386.040, 386.250, 392.200 and 392.540 RSMo 2000.

If there are any questions, please contact:

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BY THE COMMISSION

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

# Title 4 – DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Division 240 – Public Service Commission Chapter 33 Service and Billing Practices for Telecommunications Companies

#### ORDER OF RULEMAKING

By the authority vested in the Public Service Commission under Sections 386.040 RSMo (2000), 386.250 RSMo (2000) and 392.200 RSMo (Supp. 2003), the Public Service Commission amends a rule as follows:

4 CSR 240-33.150 Verification of Orders for Changing Telecommunications Service Provider is amended.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendment was published in the *Missouri Register* on March 1, 2004 (29 MoReg 382-84). No changes have been made in the text of the proposed amendment, so it is not reprinted here. This proposed amendment becomes effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: The written public comment period ended March 30, 2004, and the commission held a public hearing on this proposed amendment April 23, 2004. Natelle Dietrich of the commission's staff filed comments and testified at the public hearing generally in support of the amendment. Michael Dandino of the Office of the Public Counsel also testified generally in support of the amendment at the public hearing. Mimi MacDonald, counsel for Southwestern Bell Telephone, LP d/b/a SBC Missouri, testified generally that the proposed amendment was unnecessary. No comments recommended specific changes to this proposed amended rule.

RESPONSE: No changes have been made to the amendment as a result of the general comments. The commission has previously found that this rule amendment is necessary to carry out the purposes of Sections 386.040, 386.250, 392.200 and 392.540 RSMo.

COMMENT: Michael Dandino of the Office of Public Counsel testified that the rules should be expanded to apply to small businesses and suggested limiting the definition of small business customer to businesses with fewer than ten (10) employees.

RESPONSE: This would require a change to the definition of "customer," and has a significant impact on all rules within this chapter, including rules not raised in this rulemaking proceeding. No fiscal analysis has been performed on this proposal. Such an amendment is beyond the scope of this proceeding and would require consideration of such topics as how to determine "employee" status (e.g., full-time, part-time, independent contractor); how to address fluctuating numbers of employees; corporate versus partnership status vis-à-vis employee status; whether to consider the number of employees at a particular location or company-wide; determining who shall determine small business status (self-reporting, auditing, monitoring). Other definitions may be possible. No changes will be made as a result of this comment.

#### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Dale Hardy Roberts, Secretary

**DATE:** July 6, 2004

**RE:** Approval of Final Rule and Authorization to File Order Adopting Final Rule with

the Office of the Secretary of State

**CASE NO:** TX-2001-512

The undersigned Commissioners hereby adopt the final rule listed below and authorize the General Counsel's Office of the Missouri Pablic Service Commission to file the final rule packet for the rule with the Office of Secretary of State.

4 CSR 240-33.150 Verification of Orders for Changing Telecommunications Service Provider.

Steve Gaw, (

Connie Murray, Commissioner

Robert Clayton III, Commissione

Jeff Davis Commissioner

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