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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 20th day of August, 1997.

In the Matter of the Application of)	
ComTel Computer Corp. for a Certificate)	
of Authority to Provide Competitive)	CASE NO. TA-97-549
Intrastate Interexchange Telecommuni-)	
cations Service.)	

ORDER APPROVING INTEREXCHANGE CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE AUTHORITY AND ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

ComTel Computer Corp. applied to the Public Service Commission on June 19, 1997, for a certificate of service authority to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in Missouri under § 392.440, RSMo 1994¹. ComTel asked the Commission to classify it as a competitive company and waive certain statutes and rules as authorized by §§ 392.361 and 392.420. Applicant is a Nevada corporation, with its principal office located at 6272 West 91st Avenue, Westminster, Colorado 80030.

The Commission issued a Notice of Applications and Opportunity to Intervene on June 24, directing parties wishing to intervene in the case to file their requests by July 9. The requirement for a hearing is met when the opportunity for hearing has been provided and no proper party has requested the opportunity to present evidence. State ex rel. Rex Deffenderfer Enterprises, Inc. v. Public Service Commission, 776 S.W.2d 494, 496 (Mo. App. 1989). Since no one has asked permission to intervene

¹All statutory references are to the Revised Statutes of Missouri 1994 unless otherwise indicated.

or requested a hearing in this case, the Commission may grant the relief requested based on the verified application.

ComTel filed a proposed tariff in conjunction with its application and filed substitute sheets on July 3 and 30, and on August 1 and 8. The tariff's effective date was August 4 but was later extended to August 25. ComTel's tariff describes the rates, rules, and regulations it intends to use, identifies ComTel as a competitive company, and lists the waivers requested. ComTel intends to provide interexchange telecommunications services including 1+ direct dial, 800 number, directory assistance, operator service, debit card, and travel card services.

In its Memorandum filed on August 14 the Staff of the Commission stated that Applicant's proposed services are similar to existing IXC offerings. Staff recommended that the Commission grant Applicant a certificate of service authority, competitive status, and waiver of the statutes and rules listed in the Notice. Staff recommended that the Commission approve the proposed tariff as amended to become effective on August 25.

The Commission finds that competition in the intrastate interexchange telecommunications market is in the public interest and Applicant should be granted a certificate of service authority. The Commission finds that the services Applicant proposes to offer are competitive and Applicant should be classified as a competitive company. The Commission is of the opinion that waiving the statutes and Commission rules set out in Ordered Paragraph 2 is reasonable and not detrimental to the public interest.

The Commission determines, by authority of § 392.470, that Applicant should comply with the following regulatory requirements as reasonable and necessary conditions of certification:

- (1) Applicant must comply with reasonable requests by Staff for financial and operating data to allow Staff to monitor the intraLATA toll market. § 386.320.3.
- (2) Applicant must file tariffs containing rules and regulations applicable to customers, a description of the services provided, and a list of rates associated with those services in accordance with 4 CSR 240-30.010 and § 392.220, RSMo (Supp. 1996).
- (3) Applicant may not unjustly discriminate between its customers. §\$ 392.200, RSMo (Supp. 1996), 392.400.
- (4) Applicant must comply with all applicable rules of the Commission except those specifically waived by this order. §\$ 386.570, 392.360.
- (5) Applicant must file a Missouri-specific annual report. \$\ 392.210, 392.390.1.
- (6) Applicant must comply with jurisdictional reporting requirements as set out in each local exchange company's access services tariffs. § 392.390.3.
- (7) Applicant must submit to the staff, on a confidential basis, a copy of the jurisdictional report it submits to local exchange companies. The report must be submitted within ten (10) days of the date on which it is submitted to the local exchange company.

The Commission finds that ComTel's proposed tariff details the services, equipment, and pricing it proposes to offer, and is similar to tariffs approved for other Missouri certificated interexchange carriers. The Commission finds that the proposed tariff filed on June 19 should be approved as amended to become effective on August 25.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That ComTel Computer Corp. is granted a certificate of service authority to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in the state of Missouri, subject to the conditions of certification set out above.
- 2. That ComTel Computer Corp. is classified as a competitive telecommunications company. The following statutes and regulatory rules shall be waived:

Statutes

392.240(1)	- ratemaking
392.270	- valuation of property (ratemaking)
392.280	- depreciation accounts
392.290	- issuance of securities
392.310	 stock and debt issuance
392.320	 stock dividend payment
392.340	reorganization(s)
392.330, RSMo (Supp. 1996)	- issuance of securities, debts and

Commission Rules

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4 CSR 240-10.020
                           - depreciation fund income
4 CSR 240-30.010(2)(C)
                          - rate schedules
4 CSR 240-30.040
                           - Uniform System of Accounts
                          - exchange boundary maps
4 CSR 240-32.030(1)(B)
4 CSR 240-32.030(1)(C)
                          - record keeping
4 CSR 240-32.030(2)
                          - in-state record keeping
4 CSR 240-32.050(3)
                          - local office record keeping
4 CSR 240-32.050(4)
                          - telephone directories
4 CSR 240-32.050(5)
                          - call intercept
                          - telephone number changes
4 CSR 240-32.050(6)
4 CSR 240-32.070(4)
                          - public coin telephone
                          - minimum charges rule
4 CSR 240-33.030
4 CSR 240-33.040(5)
                          - financing fees
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3. That the tariff filed by ComTel Computer Corp. on June 19, 1997, is approved as amended to become effective on August 25, 1997. The tariff approved is:

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

BY THE COMMISSION

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Cecil I. Wright
Executive Secretary

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Lumpe, Chm., Crumpton, Murray, and Drainer, CC., concur.

ALJ: Wickliffe