

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Request from the Customers in the)
Rockaway Beach Exchange for an Expanded Calling) **Case No. TO-2003-0257**
Scope to Make Toll-Free Calls to Branson.)

ORDER SCHEDULING ON-THE-RECORD PRESENTATION

Issue Date: August 9, 2005

Effective Date: August 9, 2005

During the August 9, 2005 Agenda, the Commission determined that it would be appropriate to schedule an on-the-record presentation regarding the expanded local calling plan proposed in the Stipulation and Agreement. Due to the impending operation of law date for the associated tariffs, this hearing must be scheduled expeditiously. The Commission anticipates that in addition to questions from the regulatory law judge, there may also be questions from Commissioners. Although it is not presently anticipated that witnesses will be required, this is a hearing and it is possible that witnesses will be permitted to answer questions from the bench. The topics for discussion include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Whether the proposal's funding mechanism, particularly the funding accomplished through the company's annual price cap filing, is consistent with Missouri statutes; and
- Staff's concerns regarding the reasonableness of the rate design and calling scopes.

The Commission will also hereby inform the parties that it may, by separate order, schedule an evidentiary hearing in this matter. Upon review of the Commission's calendar, the regulatory law judge finds that potential hearing dates include August 23, 24, 25, or 29. Furthermore, the Commission may schedule a local public hearing or hearings during the latter part of August. The Commission will direct the parties to provide a report that lists specific dates, times, and locations (including addresses and phone numbers) that would be suitable for local public hearings during this time frame.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That an on-the-record presentation shall be held on Thursday, August 11, 2005, beginning at 9:00 a.m., in the Commission's offices in the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Room 305, Jefferson City, Missouri. The Governor Office Building meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. Anyone needing additional accommodations to participate should call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 prior to the on-the-record presentation.
2. That no later than August 12, 2005, the parties shall file a report or reports regarding possible locations for local public hearings, as directed above.

3. That this order shall become effective on August 9, 2005.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

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Vicky Ruth, Senior Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 9th day of August, 2005.