BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Staff of the Missouri Public Service) Commission,) Complainant,) v.) BPS Telephone Company,) Respondent.)

Case No. TC-2002-1076

REQUEST TO MOVE DATE FOR PREHEARING CONFERENCE

Comes now BPS Telephone Company ("BPS") and for its Request to Move Date for Prehearing Conference states to the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") as follows:

1. On April 1, 2004, the Commission issued an *Order Granting Authority for Staff to Conduct Further Investigation and Setting Prehearing Conference* in which it directed the parties to appear at prehearing conference at 10:00 a.m. on April 13, 2004.

2. Counsel for BPS, W. R. England, III, has a schedule conflict on that date, however, as he is scheduled to participate in a hearing before the Illinois Commerce Commission in Chicago, Illinois, on that date. Since the Commission has set the prehearing conference for the purpose of "discussion of settlement, discovery and other procedural matters" of substance it is important that Mr. England be present for the discussion. BPS therefore requests that the prehearing be rescheduled for the morning of April 20, 2004. 3. Counsel for Staff and the Office of Public Counsel have been consulted and do not oppose this change except that counsel for the Staff has asked that the prehearing be scheduled for the morning of April 20 as he has a conflict in the afternoon.

BPS respectfully requests that the Commission grant its Request to Move Date for Prehearing Conference and reschedule the prehearing conference in this matter at 9:00 a.m. on April 20, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was sent by U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, or hand-delivered on this 5th day of April, 2004, to the following parties:

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