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Mr. Cecil I. Wright  
Executive Secretary  
Missouri Public Service Commission  
301 West High Street, Floor 5A  
Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

Re: Case No. TW-97-333

Dear Mr. Wright:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission in the above-referenced cases is an original and 14 copies of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company's Notice Of Participation.

Please stamp "Filed" on the extra copy and return the copy to me in the enclosed self-addressed, stamped envelope.

Thank you for bringing this matter to the attention of the Commission.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Leo J. Bub".

Leo J. Bub

Enclosures

cc: Attorneys of Record

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of an Investigation into the Provision  
of Community Optional Calling Service in Missouri.

) Case No. TW-97-333  
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**SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY'S  
NOTICE OF PARTICIPATION**

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWBT) respectfully seeks to participate in this proceeding and states:

1. SWBT is a Missouri corporation duly authorized to conduct business in Missouri with its principal office at One Bell Center, St. Louis, Missouri 63101. SWBT is a "local exchange telecommunications company" and a "public utility," and is duly authorized to provide "telecommunications service" within the State of Missouri as each of those phrases are defined in §386.020 RSMo (1996 Supp.).

2. All correspondence, pleadings, orders, decisions and communications regarding this proceeding should be sent to:

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3. In an Order issued March 7, 1997, the Commission established this docket to review the Community Optional Services (COS) as they are now provided in the State of Missouri in light of local competition and equal access issues. In its Order, the Commission

wishing to participate in this proceeding to file a Notice with the Commission no later than March 21, 1997.

4. SWBT seeks to participate in this proceeding because it has a direct interest in the subjects being addressed by the Commission. SWBT is a basic local exchange company authorized to provide basic local telecommunications services, exchange access services, and interexchange toll services within the State of Missouri. SWBT is also a provider of COS.


5. SWBT's interests as a basic local and interexchange telecommunications service provider differ from those of the general public. No other party to the proceeding will adequately protect SWBT's interest.

6. Granting of this participation will be in the public interest because SWBT will bring to this proceeding its expertise and experience as a telecommunications provider.

WHEREFORE, SWBT respectfully requests that it be permitted to participate in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This certifies that I have served this document on the following parties by sending it first-class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, on March 13, 1997.



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