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CASE NO: TA-2000-598

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Enclosed find certified copy of an ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,

Ask Hardy Roberts

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

### OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Universal	)
Telecom, Inc., for a Certificate of Service	)
Authority to Provide Prepaid Basic Local Tele-	) Case No. TA-2000-598
communications Services in the State of	)
Missouri and to Classify Said Services and	)
the Company as Competitive.	)

## ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

On May 26, 2000, the Commission ordered the parties to this case to file a proposed procedural schedule no later than June 26, 2000. On July 13, 2000, Universal Telecom, Inc. (UTI), filed a request for suspension of the procedural schedule and extension of time to file the proposed procedural schedule.

In the request, UTI states that on or about July 7, 2000, UTI and Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWBT) reached an agreement in principal and intend to file a stipulation and agreement with the Commission. UTI states that the stipulation and agreement was forwarded to the Office of the Public Counsel and to the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission for their approval on that same day. UTI further states that if the parties reach a unanimous agreement, no proposed procedural schedule will be necessary. UTI

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>A facsimile copy of Applicant Universal Telecom, Inc.'s Request for Suspension of Procedural Schedule or Extension of Time to File Proposed Procedural Schedule was received and stamped filed by the Commission on July 10, 2000.

requests that the parties be given an additional two weeks to finalize and file their agreement. No responses to UTI's request were filed.

The Commission finds that an extension of time is reasonable under the circumstances and no party will be prejudiced by an extension. Therefore, the Commission will grant the parties additional time within which to file a proposed procedural schedule. If the parties should reach a unanimous stipulation and agreement and file it with the Commission before the filing date for the proposed procedural schedule, no procedural schedule will need to be filed.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That the request for an extension of time to file a proposed procedural schedule field by Universal Telecom, Inc., is granted.
- 2. That the parties shall file a proposed procedural schedule no later than August 7, 2000.
- 3. That in the event the parties file a unanimous stipulation and agreement no later than August 7, 2000, the parties are excused from filing a proposed procedural schedule as directed in Ordered Paragraph No. 2 above.

4. That this order shall become effective on August 4, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION

Dale Hardy Roberts

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(SEAL)

Nancy Dippell, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 25th day of July, 2000.

### STATE OF MISSOURI OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this <u>25<sup>th</sup></u> day of July 2000.

**Dale Hardy Roberts** 

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge