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- Missouri Public Service Commission
- Re: Digital Teleport, Inc. Application To Intervene In the Matter of the Application of Southwestern Bell Communications Services, Inc., d/b/a/ Southwestern Bell Long Distance for a Certificate of Service Authority to provide Interexchange Telecommunications Services within the State of Missouri - Case No. TA-99-47

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed please find for filing the original plus 14 copies of Digital Teleport, Inc.'s Application to Intervene in the abovecaptioned matter.

Very truly yours,

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RSB/s Enclosures cc: Public Counsel James Fischer

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APPLICATION TO INTERVENE

Comes now Digital Teleport, Inc. by Hendren and Andrea, L.L.C., Richard S. Brownlee, III and for its Application to Intervene states as follows:

1. Digital Teleport, Inc., ("DTI") is a Missouri corporation, with its principal office and place of business located at Maryland Place Building, 8112 Maryland, 4th Floor, Clayton, MO 63105. DTI is a provider of local exchange and interexchange intrastate telecommunications services within the State of Missouri. As such, issues of rulemakings for local competition and intraLATA presubscription are of concern to DTI.

2. In Case No. TA-92-145, the Commission's <u>Report and Order</u>, dated June 10, 1992, and <u>Correction Order</u>, dated July 24, 1992, granted DTI a certificate of authority to provide local exchange and interexchange services as follows:

a. Point-to-point, private line services connecting subscribers to interexchange carriers' points of presence;

b. Point-to-point and point-to-multipoint, private line services connecting subscribers' locations to one another;

c. Point-to-point, private line services connecting interexchange carriers' point of presence to one another; and

d. Switched interexchange telecommunications services.

3. In Case No. TA-96-406, the Commission Report and Order, dated February 28,

1997, and <u>Notice of Correction</u>, dated March 3, 1997, granted DTI a certificate of authority to provide telecommunication services as follows:

- a. Interexchange telecommunications services;
- b. Local exchange telecommunication services; and
- c. Basic local telephone service.
- 4. Copies of all notices, orders and correspondence in this proceeding should be

mailed to the attorney for applicant at the following address:

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5. Any action in this case is premature as SWBT has yet to file its Section 271 filing with the Commission.

6. As a provider of its authorized competitive telecommunications services, DTI will be affected by the action taken in this proceeding, and has a direct interest which is different from the interests of the general public.

7. The granting of this application will not unduly burden these proceedings. It will, however, facilitate the reasoned resolution by the Commission of the issues presented.

WHEREFORE, Digital Teleport, Inc. prays an order allowing its intervention in the above captioned matter.

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing was mailed on August 26, 1998, to James M. Fischer, Attorney at Law, 101 West McCarty Street, Suite 215, Jefferson City, MO 65101 and Office of Public Counsel, P.O. Box 7800, Jefferson City, MO 65102.

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