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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Paramount)
International Telecommunications, Inc., d/b/a)
R Network, for a Certificate of Authority to)
Provide Competitive Intrastate Telecommunica-)
tions Services in Missouri.

Case NO. TA-2000-455
Tariff No. 200000648

ORDER APPROVING INTEREXCHANGE CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE AUTHORITY AND ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

Paramount International Telecommunications, Inc., d/b/a R Network (R Network), applied to the Public Service Commission on January 20, 2000, for a certificate of service authority to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in Missouri under Section 392.440, RSMo 1994¹. R Network asked the Commission to classify it as a competitive company and waive certain statutes and rules as authorized by Sections 392.361 and 392.420. R Network is a Nevada corporation with its principal office located at 2540 Fortune Way, Vista, California 92083.

The Commission issued a Notice of Applications for Intrastate Certificates of Service Authority and Opportunity to Intervene on January 25, 2000, directing parties wishing to intervene to file their requests by February 9, 2000. The requirement for a hearing is met when the opportunity for hearing has been provided and no proper party has requested the opportunity to present evidence. State ex rel. Rex Deffenderfer Enterprises, Inc. v. Public Service Commission,

All statutory references are to the Revised States of Missouri 1994 unless otherwise indicated.

776 S.W.2d 494, 496 (Mo. App. 1989). Since no one has asked permission to intervene or requested a hearing, the Commission may grant the relief requested based on the verified application.

R Network filed a proposed tariff in conjunction with its application and filed substitute sheets on February 4, 9, 14 and 15, 2000. The tariff's effective date is March 6, 2000. R Network's tariff describes the rates, rules, and regulations it intends to use, identifies R Network as a competitive company, and lists the waivers requested. R Network intends to provide interexchange telecommunications services including operator assistance services.

In its Memorandum filed on February 24, 2000, the Staff of the Commission (Staff) recommended that the Commission grant R Network a certificate of service authority, competitive status, and waiver of the statutes and rules listed in the Notice. Staff recommended that the Commission approve the proposed tariff as amended to become effective on March 6, 2000.

The Commission finds that competition in the intrastate interexchange telecommunications market is in the public interest and R Network should be granted a certificate of service authority. The Commission finds that the services R Network proposes to offer are competitive and R Network should be classified as a competitive company. The Commission finds that waiving the statutes and Commission rules set out in the ordered paragraph below is reasonable and not detrimental to the public interest.

The Commission finds that R Network's proposed tariff details the services, equipment, and pricing it proposes to offer. The Com-

mission finds that the proposed tariff filed on January 20, 2000, shall be approved as amended to become effective on March 6, 2000.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That Paramount International Telecommunications, Inc., d/b/a R Network, is granted a certificate of service authority to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in the state of Missouri, subject to all applicable statutes and Commission rules except as specified in this order.
- 2. That Paramount International Telecommunications, Inc., d/b/a R Network, is classified as a competitive telecommunications company. Application of the following statutes and regulatory rules shall be waived:

Statutes

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392.240(1) - ratemaking
392.270 - valuation of property (ratemaking)
392.280 - depreciation accounts
392.290 - issuance of securities
392.310 - stock and debt issuance
392.320 - stock dividend payment
392.340 - reorganization(s)
392.330, RSMo Supp. 1999 - issuance of securities,
debts and notes
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Commission Rules

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4 CSR 240-10.020
                       - depreciation fund income
4 CSR 240-30.010(2)(C) - rate schedules
4 CSR 240-30.040
                       - Uniform System of Accounts
4 CSR 240-32.030(1)(B) - exchange boundary maps
4 CSR 240-32.030(1)(C) - record-keeping
                       - in-state record-keeping
4 CSR 240-32.030(2)
                       - local office record-keeping
4 CSR 240-32.050(3)
                       - telephone directories
4 CSR 240-32.050(4)
                       - call intercept
4 CSR 240-32.050(5)
                       - telephone number changes
4 CSR 240-32.050(6)
4 CSR 240-32.070(4)
                       - public coin telephone
4 CSR 240-33.030
                       - minimum charges rule
                       - financing fees
4 CSR 240-33.040(5)
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3. That the tariff filed by Paramount International Telecommunications, Inc., d/b/a R Network, on January 20, 2000, and assigned Tariff File No. 200000648, is approved as amended to become effective on March 6, 2000. The tariff approved is:

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- 4. That this order shall become effective on March 6, 2000.
- 5. That this case may be closed on March 7, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION

Hard Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(SEAL)

Vicky Ruth, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.120(1) (November 30, 1995) and Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 6th day of March, 2000.