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

In the Matter of the Application of	)	
Essential.com, Inc. for a	)	
Certificate of Service Authority to	)	
Provide Basic Local Telecommunications	)	<u>Case No. TA-2000-484</u>
Service in Portions of the	)	
State of Missouri	)	

**ORDER DIRECTING FILING OF STAFF MEMORANDUM**

On April 17, 2000, all the parties, except the Office of the Public Counsel, filed a stipulation and agreement (agreement) with the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission). The agreement stated, *inter alia*, that the Staff of the Commission (Staff) may submit its recommendation concerning matters not addressed in the agreement and, if requested by the Commission, that the Staff has the right to submit a memorandum explaining its rationale for entering into the agreement.

The Commission will order such a recommendation and memorandum.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall file, no later than 3:00 p.m. on May 1, 2000, a recommendation concerning matters not addressed in, and a memorandum explaining its rationale for entering into, the stipulation and agreement which was filed on April 17, 2000.

2. That this order shall become effective on May 1, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts  
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

( S E A L )

Bill Hopkins, Senior 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 19th day of April, 2000.