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CASE NO: TA-2000-693

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

Sincerely,

April Hard 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 Telistar)		
Communications, LLC, for a Certificate of)		
Service Authority to Provide Basic Local)	Case No.	TA-2000-693
Telecommunications Service in Portions of the)		-
State of Missouri and for Competitive)		
Classification.)		

ORDER ADOPTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Telistar Communications, LLC (Telistar), filed an application on April 27, 2000, for a certificate of service authority to provide basic local exchange telecommunications services in the state of Missouri under 4 CSR 240-2.060. Telistar wishes to provide basic local exchange services on a facilities and resold basis in all exchanges currently served by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWBT), GTE Midwest Incorporated (GTE), and Sprint Missouri, Inc. (Sprint).

The Commission issued a notice directing interested parties to file applications to intervene no later than June 1, 2000. On June 6, 2000, the Commission granted intervention to Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWBT), the only entity that sought intervention herein. The Commission also directed the parties to submit a proposed procedural schedule by June 26. Telistar filed the joint proposed procedural schedule on June 22, 2000.

The Commission has reviewed the proposed procedural schedule and finds it to be appropriate. The Commission will apply the conditions set out below to the procedural schedule in this case.

- (A) The Commission will require the prefiling of testimony as defined in 4 CSR 240-2.130. All parties shall comply with this rule, including the requirement that testimony be filed on line-numbered pages. The practice of prefiling testimony is designed to give parties notice of the claims, contentions and evidence in issue and to avoid unnecessary objections and delays caused by allegations of unfair surprise at the hearing.
- (B) Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.130(15), testimony and schedules shall not be filed under seal and treated as proprietary or highly confidential unless the Commission has first established a protective order. Any testimony or schedule filed without a protective order first being established shall be considered public information.
- (C) The parties shall agree upon and the Staff shall file a list of the issues to be heard, the witnesses to appear on each day of the hearing and the order in which they shall be called, and the order of cross-examination for each witness. The Commission will view any issue not contained in this list of issues as uncontested and not requiring resolution.
- (D) Each party shall file a statement of its position on each disputed issue. Such statement shall be simple and concise, and shall not contain argument about why the party believes its position to be the correct one.
- (E) The Commission's general policy provides for the filing of the transcript within two weeks after the hearing. If any party seeks to expedite the filing of the transcript, such request shall be

tendered in writing to the regulatory law judge at least five days prior to the date of the hearing.

- (F) All pleadings, briefs and amendments shall be filed in accordance with 4 CSR 240-2.080. Briefs shall follow the same list of issues as filed in the case and shall set forth and cite the proper portions of the record concerning the remaining unresolved issues that are to be decided by the Commission.
- (G) All parties are required to bring an adequate number of copies of exhibits that they intend to offer into evidence at the hearing. If an exhibit has been prefiled, only three copies of the exhibit are necessary for the court reporter. If an exhibit has not been prefiled, the party offering it should bring, in addition to the three copies for the court reporter, copies for the five Commissioners, the regulatory law judge, and all counsel.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the following procedural schedule is adopted, subject to the conditions discussed above:

Event		<u>Date</u>
Direct testimony by applicant	October 2, 2	
	4:00 g	o.m.
Rebuttal testimony (all parties)	November 3, 2	2000
	4:00 g	p.m.
Surrebuttal and cross-surrebuttal	December 5, 2	2000
testimony (all parties)	4:00 g	
Prehearing conference	January 3, 2	2001
	10:00 a	
List of issues, list of witnesses,	January 10, 2	
and order of cross-examination	4:00 <u>r</u>	o.m.

Position statements on issues

January 17, 2001 4:00 p.m.

Evidentiary hearing

January 23 and 24, 2001 8:30 a.m.

- 2. That the prehearing conference and evidentiary hearing will be held at the Commission's offices in Jefferson City, Missouri. This hearing will be held in a building that meets accessibility standards required by the Americans With Disabilities Act. If you need additional accommodations to participate in this public hearing, please call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or 1-800-829-7541 (TDD) prior to the hearing.
 - 3. That this order shall become effective on July 11, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(SEAL)

Kevin A. Thompson, Deputy Chief 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 28th day of June, 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 28th day of June 2000.

Dale Hardy Roberts

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge