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Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge Missouri Public Service Commission P.O. Box 360 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

Re:

Case No. TA-2000-30

OPEX COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

Interexchange/Non-Switched Local Exchange Certificate Application

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Please be advised that Applicant OPEX COMMUNICATIONS, INC. hereby extends the effective date of its proposed tariff from August 23, 1999 to August 31, 1999. This extension is being made at Staff's request.

While the Application was first filed on July 9, 1999, the Commission did not issue its Notice of Applications until July 27, 1999. Pursuant to that Notice, the intervention deadline was set for August 11, 1999. According to the Staff, this leaves just seven working days within which to process the Staff recommendation and submit it to the Commission for its review before the August 23, 1999 effective date. For this reason, the Company has agreed to extend its tariff's effective date to August 31, 1999.

Sincerely,

Brent Stewart

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cc: Patrick Crocker

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