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STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office
in Jefferson City on the 12th
day of August, 1999.

In the Matter of the MoKan Dial, Inc. and)
Choctaw Telephone Company Joint Request for)
Clarification and Determination of Certain) Case No. TO-98-379
Aspects as to the Continued Provisioning of)
Metropolitan Calling Area Service)

ORDER REQUIRING THE FILING OF A PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

On March 9, 1998, MoKan Dial, Inc. and Choctaw Telephone Company filed an application to determine certain aspects of the continued provisioning of MCA service. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company was made a party by Commission order on March 12, 1999. In April of 1999, intervention was granted to: Sprint, AT&T Communications of the Southwest, Gabriel Communications, AT&T Wireless Services, Inc., Sprint Communications Company L. P., Cass County Telephone Company, Citizens Telephone Company of Higginsville, Missouri, Inc., Green Hills Telephone Corporation, Lathrop Telephone Company, Orchard Farm Telephone Company, TCG St. Louis, Inc., and TCG Kansas City, Inc.

The Commission also ordered on March 12, 1999, that the parties file a procedural schedule no later than April 21, 1999. On April 22, 1999, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) filed a document entitled *Proposed Procedural Schedule*. The document did not set forth a proposed procedural schedule but

requested that the Commission set a technical conference in July or August (of 1999) so that the parties could continue discussions. The Commission is not required to set technical conferences and the parties are free to talk to each other without Commission intervention.

This case needs to progress. Thus, the Commission will again order that a procedural schedule be filed or face dismissal. Because the Commission believes that this case will generate sufficient public interest, the Commission will also require that the procedural schedule include provisions for at least one local public hearing.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the parties shall file a proposed procedural schedule which contain provisions for at least one local public hearing, no later than August 13, 1999.

2. That this order shall become effective on August 24, 1999.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(S E A L)

Lumpe, Ch., Schemenauer, and Drainer, CC., concur
Crumpton and Murray, CC., absent

Hopkins, Senior Regulatory Law Judge

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