



STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION JEFFERSON CITY October 31, 2000

CASE NO: TA-2000-509

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

Sincerely,

Hok Hred Roberts

Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

Uncertified Copy:

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of the Application of Comm South Companies, Inc. f/k/a Onyx Distributing Company, Inc. d/b/a Missouri Comm South, Inc. for an Amendment to its Certificate of Authority to Resell Basic Exchange and Local Exchange Intrastate Telecommunications Services within the State of Missouri

Case No. TA-2000-509

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

On February 18, 2000, Comm South Companies, Inc. d/b/a Missouri Comm South, Inc. (MCS) filed an application with the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) requesting an amendment to its certificate of service authority to provide basic local and local exchange telecommunications services within the state of Missouri. MCS requested the Commission amend its current certificate of service authority to provide basic exchange and local exchange telecommunications services within the state of Missouri to include areas for which it has not previously requested certification, including all exchanges currently served by GTE Midwest Incorporated (GTE) and Sprint Missouri, Inc. (Sprint).

On February 29, 2000, the Commission issued a notice directing interested parties to file applications to intervene no later than March 30, 2000. No applications to intervene were received.

On April 3, 2000, the Commission issued a Notice of Deficiency directing the applicant to comply with Commission rules 4 CSR 240-

2.060(1)(F) and (4)(H), or to seek a variance of the rules no later than April 13, 2000. On April 13, 2000, Comm South filed its First Amended Application to Amend Certificate of Service Authority. The Commission finds that Comm South's first amended application complies with the Commission's rules as requested.

If no party requests a hearing, the Commission may grant the service authority and competitive classification requested without a hearing. <u>State ex rel. Deffenderfer Enterprises, Inc. v. P.S.C.</u>, 776 S.W.2d 494, 496 (Mo. App. 1989). The Commission would be aided by the filing of a recommendation from the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission. Since there has been no activity in this case in the last six months, the Commission will direct Staff to file its recommendation regarding Comm South's application for a certificate for service authority to provide basic exchange and local exchange telecommunications services within the state of Missouri, or if Staff is not yet able to make its recommendation, Staff shall file a status report indicating when its expects it will be able to file its recommendation regarding this application.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall file a memorandum setting forth its recommendation in support or opposing the request made by Comm South Companies, Inc. d/b/a Missouri Comm South, Inc. in its application filed February 18, 2000, or a case status report, no later than 4:00 p.m. on November 30, 2000.

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2. That this order shall become effective on November 10, 2000.

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BY THE COMMISSION

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Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Shelly A. Register, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to 4 Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 31st day of October, 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 <u>31st</u> day of Oct. 2000.



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Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge