BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

| In the Matter of the Application of @link |) | |
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| Networks, Inc., for a Certificate of Service |) | |
| Authority to Provide Basic Local Telecommunica- |) | Case No. TA-2000-521 |
| tions Services in the State of Missouri and for |) | |
| Competitive Classification. |) | |

ORDER RESETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE

On February 23, 2000, @link Networks, Inc. (@link), a Wisconsin corporation, filed an application with the Commission seeking a certificate of service authority to provide resold and facilities-based basic local telecommunications services in the state of Missouri. @link also seeks competitive status and waiver of certain statutes and Commission rules. On March 1, 2000, the Commission adopted a protective order, as requested by @link in a motion filed together with its application. On March 2, 2000, @link supplemented its application.

On March 7, 2000, the Commission issued its Notice of Applications. Thereafter, on March 16, 2000, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWBT) filed its timely Application to Intervene, which the Commission granted on May 1, 2000. Also on that date, the Commission set a prehearing conference for May 24, 2000, and required that a proposed procedural schedule be filed a week later.

On May 22, 2000, however, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) filed its motion to suspend the prehearing conference and proposed procedural schedule for 30 days. Staff states that the

purpose of the requested interval is to permit all the parties to reach an agreement disposing of the case. Staff further states that all of the parties concur in the motion.

The Commission will grant the motion.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That the Motion to Suspend Prehearing Conference filed by the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission on May 22, 2000, is granted.
- 2. That the prehearing conference previously set in this matter for May 24, 2000, is cancelled. Additionally, the parties need not file a proposed procedural schedule herein on or before May 31, 2000.
- 3. That a prehearing conference shall be held on June 23, 2000, beginning at 10:00 a.m. The prehearing conference shall be held at the Commission's office on the fifth floor of the Harry S Truman State Office Building, 301 West High Street, Jefferson City, Missouri. Anyone wishing to attend who has special needs as addressed by the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the Missouri Public Service Commission at least ten (10) days before the prehearing conference at: Consumer Services Hotline 1-800-392-4211 or TDD Hotline 1-800-829-7541.
- 4. That the parties shall file a proposed procedural schedule no later than June 30, 2000. The procedural schedule shall include dates for the filing of testimony and for a hearing.

5. That this order shall become effective on May 23, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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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 23rd day of May, 2000.