



STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION JEFFERSON CITY July 12, 2000

CASE NO: TA-2000-787

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

Sincerely,

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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 Public Communications Services, Inc., for a Certifi-) Case No. TA-2000-787 cate of Authority to Provide Competitive) Tariff No. 200001083 Intrastate Telecommunications Services in Missouri.)

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ORDER APPROVING INTEREXCHANGE CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE AUTHORITY AND ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

Public Communications Services, Inc. (PCS), applied to the Public Service Commission (Commission) on May 26, 2000, for a certificate of service authority to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in Missouri under Section 392.440, RSMo 1994¹. PCS asked the Commission to classify it as a competitive company and to waive certain statutes and rules as authorized by Sections 392.361 and 392.420. PCS is a California corporation with its principal office located at 11859 Wilshire boulevard, Suite 600, Los Angeles, California 90025.

The Commission issued a Notice of Applications for Intrastate Certificates of Service Authority and Opportunity to Intervene on June 6, 2000, directing parties wishing to intervene to file their requests by June 21, 2000. The requirement for a hearing is met when the opportunity for hearing has been provided and no proper party has requested the opportunity to present evidence. State ex rel. Rex Deffenderfer Enterprises, Inc. v. Public Service Commission,

¹ All statutory references are to the Revised States of Missouri 1994 unless otherwise indicated.

776 S.W.2d 494, 496 (Mo. App. 1989). Since no one has asked permission to intervene or requested a hearing, the Commission may grant the relief requested based on the application.

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PCS filed a proposed tariff in conjunction with its application with an effective date of July 10, 2000. The effective date was extended to July 17, 2000, and then again to July 21, 2000. PCS's tariff describes the rates, rules, and regulations it intends to use, identifies PCS as a competitive company, and lists the waivers requested. PCS intends to provide interexchange telecommunications services including 1+, Directory Assistance, and Operator Assistance.

In its Memorandum filed on July 10, 2000, the Staff of the Commission (Staff) recommended that the Commission grant PCS a certificate of service authority, competitive status, and waiver of the statutes and rules listed in the Notice. Staff recommended that the Commission approve the proposed tariff as amended to become effective on July 21, 2000.

The Commission finds that competition in the intrastate interexchange telecommunications market is in the public interest and PCS should be granted a certificate of service authority. The Commission finds that the services PCS proposes to offer are competitive and PCS should be classified as a competitive company. The Commission finds that waiving the statutes and Commission rules set out in the ordered paragraph below is reasonable and not detrimental to the public interest.

The Commission finds that PCS's proposed tariff details the services, equipment, and pricing it proposes to offer. The Commission

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finds that the proposed tariff filed on May 26, 2000, shall be approved as amended to become effective on July 21, 2000.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

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1. That Public Communications Services, Inc., is granted a certificate of service authority to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in the state of Missouri, subject to all applicable statutes and Commission rules except as specified in this order.

2. That Public Communications Services, Inc., is classified as a competitive telecommunications company. Application of the following statutes and regulatory rules shall be waived:

Statutes

392.210.2	- system of accounts
392.240(1) - ratemaking
392.270	 valuation of property (ratemaking)
392.280	- depreciation accounts
392.290	 issuance of securities
392.300.2	- stock ownership and sale
392.310	 stock and debt issuance
392.320	- stock dividend payment
392.340	- reorganization(s)
392.330,	RSMo Supp. 1999 - issuance of securities,
	debts and notes

Commission Rules

4 CSR 240-10.020	 depreciation fund income
4 CSR 240-30.010(2)(C)	- rate schedules
4 CSR 240-30.040	- Uniform System of Accounts
4 CSR 240-32.030(4)(C)	- exchange area maps
4 CSR 240-33.030	- minimum charges rule

3. That the tariff filed by Public Communications Services, Inc., on May 26, 2000, and assigned Tariff File No. 200001083, is approved as amended to become effective on July 21, 2000. The tariff approved is:

> P.S.C. MO No. 1 Original Title Sheet Original Sheet 1 through Original Sheet 35

- 4. That this order shall become effective on July 21, 2000.
- 5. That this case may be closed on July 24, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION

Hole Hredy Roberts

Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Vicky Ruth, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 12th day of July, 2000.

STATE OF MISSOURI OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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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>12th</u> day of July 2000.

Hole Hardy Roberts

Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

