## STATE OF MISSOURI **PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION JEFFERSON CITY** February 21, 2001

CASE NO: TO-2001-444

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

Sincerely,

**Dale Hardy Roberts** 

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

**Uncertified copies:** 

To all interexchange and local exchange telecommunications companies.

# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Dobson	)		
Cellular Systems, Inc., for Approval of	)		
Its Interconnection Agreement with ALLTEL	)	Case No.	TO-2001-444
Communications Services Corporation Pursuant	)		
to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications	)		
Act of 1996.	)		

## ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE AND MAKING ALLTEL COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES CORPORATION A PARTY

On February 13, 2001, Dobson Cellular Systems, Inc. (Dobson), filed an application with the Commission for approval of an interconnection agreement with ALLTEL Communications Services Corporation (ALLTEL) under the provisions of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the Act). Dobson states that there are no unresolved issues and that the agreement complies with Section 252(e) of the Act in that it is not discriminatory to nonparty carriers and is consistent with the public interest. Dobson requests expeditious approval of the agreement.

Although ALLTEL is a party to the agreement, it did not join in the application. Because ALLTEL is a necessary party to a full and fair adjudication of this matter, the Commission will add ALLTEL as a party to this case.

The Act provides that an interconnection or resale agreement must be approved unless the state commission finds that the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement, or that implementation of the agreement is not consistent

with the public interest, convenience, and necessity. 47 U.S.C. \$ 252(e).

The Commission finds that proper persons should be allowed 20 days from the issuance of this order to file a motion for hearing. The requirement of a hearing is met when an opportunity to be heard 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, 776 S.W.2D 494, 496 (Mo. App. 1989).

Section 252(e)(4) of the Act provides that if the Commission has not approved an agreement within 90 days after submission, the agreement shall be deemed approved. Therefore, the Commission will proceed with this case expeditiously and, if there are no requests for a hearing, relief may be granted based on the verified petition. The Commission finds that notice of this application should be sent to all interexchange and local exchange telecommunications companies.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That the Records Department of the Commission shall send notice to all interexchange and local exchange telecommunications companies.
- 2. That ALLTEL Communications Services Corporation is made a party to this case.
- 3. That any party wishing to request a hearing shall do so by filing a pleading no later than March 13, 2001, with:

Dale Hardy Roberts, Secretary Missouri Public Service Commission Post Office Box 360 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102 and send copies to:

Charles Brent Stewart Stewart & Keevil, L.L.C. 1001 Cherry Street, Suite 302 Columbia, Missouri 65201

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and:

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- 4. That the Staff of the Commission shall file a memorandum advising either approval or rejection of this agreement and giving the reasons therefor no later than March 23, 2001.
  - 5. That this order shall become effective on March 3, 2001.

BY THE COMMISSION

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 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 21st day of February, 2001.

## 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 21st day of February 2001.

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge