

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
JEFFERSON CITY
February 9, 2000**

CASE NO: TO-2000-482

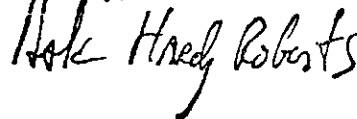
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Enclosed find certified copy of an ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

Uncertified Copies:

To all interexchange and local exchange telecommunications companies.

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Application for Approval of Interconnection)
 Agreement between Southwestern Bell Wireless,)
 Inc. and ALLTEL Communications Services) **Case No. TO-2000-482**
 Corporation under the Telecommunications)
 Act of 1996)

ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE

Southwestern Bell Wireless, Inc. (SWBW) and ALLTEL Communications Services Corporation (ALLTEL) (collectively, Applicants) filed their Application with the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) on February 8, 2000, for approval of an interconnection agreement (Agreement) between SWBW and ALLTEL under the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the Act).

The Act provides that an interconnection 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 twenty (20) days from the issuance of this order to file a motion for hearing or an application to participate without intervention. Participation may be permitted for the limited purpose of filing comments addressing whether this agreement meets the federal standards for approval of

interconnection agreements. 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 ninety (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 any party wishing to request a hearing or to participate without intervention in this matter shall file an application no later than February 29, 2000 with:

Dale Hardy Roberts, Secretary
Missouri Public Service Commission
P.O. Box 360
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

and send copies to:

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Saint Louis, Missouri 63131

and:

Office of the Public Counsel
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3. 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 3:00 p.m. on April 6, 2000.

4. That this order shall become effective on February 22, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Dale H. Roberts
Chief Regulatory Law Judge/Secretary

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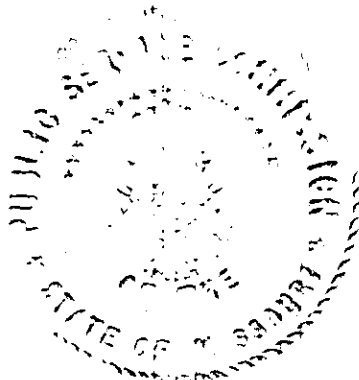
Bill Hopkins, Senior Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant
to 4 CSR 240-2.120(1) (November 30,
1995) and Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 9th day of February, 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 9th day of FEBRUARY 2000.



Dale Hardy Roberts

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge