

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
JEFFERSON CITY
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CASE NO: TA-99-47

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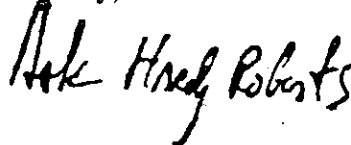
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Enclosed find certified copy of an ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

Uncertified Copy:

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Southwestern)
Bell Communications Services, Inc., d/b/a South-)
western Bell Long Distance, for a Certificate of) Case No. TA-99-47
Service Authority to Provide Interexchange Tele-)
communications Services Within the State of)
Missouri.)

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

On March 7, 2001, Southwestern Bell Communications Services, Inc., d/b/a Southwestern Bell Long Distance (Southwestern Bell), filed its amended application for a certificate of authority to provide interexchange telecommunications services. Since that filing, Southwestern Bell has extended the effective date of its tariff from April 23, 2001, to May 23, 2001. In addition, several applications for intervention and motions to suspend the tariff have been filed. The Commission finds that it would be of assistance in making its decision to have a recommendation from its Staff in each of the requests for intervention and motions for suspension. Therefore, the Commission will direct its Staff to file a response to each of those pleadings as ordered below.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall file a response to each application to intervene and motion to suspend no later than May 10, 2001.

2. That this order shall become effective on May 9, 2001.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(S E A L)

Nancy Dippell, Senior Regulatory Law
Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

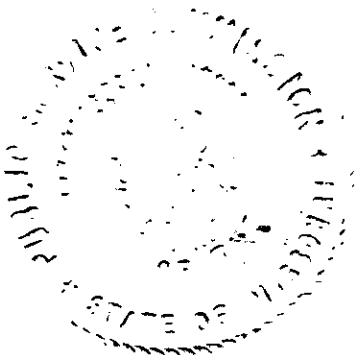
Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 1st day of May, 2001.

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 1st day of May 2001.



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dale Hardy Roberts".

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge