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STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office
in Jefferson City on the 24th
day of November, 1998.

In the Matter of Citizens Telephone	)	
Company of Higginsville, Missouri, Inc.'s	)	
Tariff to Implement a Promotional	)	<u>Case No. TT-99-203</u>
Offering for Customers Changing or	)	Tariff File No. 9900368
Adding Various Services.	)	

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

On November 5, 1998, Citizens Telephone Company of Higginsville, Missouri, Inc. (Citizens) filed a revised tariff sheet to implement a promotion that would be in effect from the date of approval until December 31. The promotion would waive customer activity charges and the first month's recurring charge for customers changing or adding Caller ID, Calling Name Delivery, or Calling Party Identity Services(s). Citizens also requested expedited approval. On November 12, Citizens filed a substitute tariff sheet and a revised Motion for Expedited Approval of Tariff.

On November 19, the Staff of the Commission filed its memorandum in which it recommends that the Commission approve the tariff sheet at its earliest convenience.

In its Motion for Expedited Approval of Tariff, Citizens states as its reason for requesting expedited treatment that it wants the tariff to be in effect on December 1. Citizens also states that the tariff is consistent with other promotions the Commission has approved in the past, and so expedited approval will not impose an undue burden

on the Staff nor result in prejudice to any other party or person. In order to demonstrate good cause for expedited treatment, an applicant must show: A) what benefit will inure to the applicant or the public from expedited treatment, or what harm will ensue if the Commission does not act expeditiously; and B) that the applicant itself acted expeditiously and filed its application at the earliest possible time.

The Commission should not be forced to act expeditiously and possibly hastily if the applicant has not done everything in its power to bring the matter before the Commission as soon as possible. Citizens has not made either showing, and its Motion for Expedited Approval of Tariff will be denied.

The Commission has reviewed the tariff filing and the Staff memorandum and has determined the filing to be reasonable.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That Tariff No. 9900368, filed November 5, 1998, by Citizens Telephone Company of Higginsville, Missouri, Inc., consisting of the following tariff sheets is hereby approved for service on or after December 1, 1998:

P.S.C. MO. No. 4
4th Revised Sheet No. 16-1 Canceling 3rd Revised Sheet No. 16-1

2. That the Motion for Expedited Approval of Tariff filed November 5, 1998, and revised on November 12, 1998, by Citizens Telephone Company of Higginsville, Missouri, Inc., is denied.

3. That this order shall become effective on December 1,
1998.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Dale Hardy Roberts". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "D".

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(S E A L)

Lumpe, Ch., Crumpton, Murray,
Schemenauer and Drainer, CC., concur.

Mills, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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