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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 31st
day of December, 1997.

In the Matter of Lathrop Telephone Company's) CASE NO. TT-98-272
Tariff in Regards to Lifeline/Link Up.) Tariff No. 9800536

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

On November 25, 1997, Lathrop Telephone Company (Lathrop) submitted Tariff No. 9800436 to comply with the federal Universal Service Fund. That tariff was subsequently approved by the Commission on December 23. However, on December 30 Lathrop notified the Commission that three pages had been inadvertently omitted from the November 25 filing. These pages are necessary to complete the tariff and to comply with the requirements of the federal Universal Service Fund. These pages will add a description of Lathrop's Lifeline Service and are similar to those services and pages as filed by other companies and approved by the Commission in similar cases.

To obtain federal Universal Service Fund support, all tariff changes must be approved and implemented prior to January 1, 1998. Therefore, Lathrop has requested expedited approval of these pages. Lathrop filed the pages in question on December 31 and on that same date the Telecommunications Department Staff of the Commission (Staff) reviewed the proposed tariff sheets and filed its Staff Memorandum recommending Commission approval.

The Commission has reviewed the proposed tariff filing along with the staff memorandum and, based upon Staff's review, the Commission finds the proposed tariff sheets are necessary to comply with the federal Universal Service Fund and are the same, or similar to, those tariff sheets which have been approved by the Commission in other lifeline tariff requests.

The Commission will grant Lathrop's request for expedited consideration and will approve the tariff sheets as submitted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the following tariff sheets, Tariff No. 9800536, are approved to become effective on and after January 1, 1998:

P.S.C. MO. No.1

Seventh Revised Sheet No. C-1 Canceling Sixth Revised Sheet No. C-1

Original Sheet No. C-12.2

Original Sheet No. C-12.3

2. That the request of Lathrop Telephone Company for expedited consideration of its tariff sheets is granted.

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

4. That this case may be closed on January 12, 1998.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Lumpe, Ch., Crumpton,
Murray, and Drainer,
CC., Concur.

Roberts, Chief Regulatory Law Judge