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In the Matter of the Application of Max-Tel )  
Communications, Inc. for a Certificate of Service )  
Authority to Provide Basic Local Telecommunica- ) **Case No. TA-97-342**  
tions Service in Portions of the State of Missouri )  
and to Classify Said Services and the Company as )  
Competitive. )

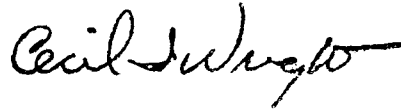
The Commission has reconsidered, sua sponte, its order of October 29, 1997, and finds that the proposed exhibit filed October 17 by the Commission's Staff (Staff) substantially addresses the Commission's request for an explanation of the information the Staff used to determine that Max-Tel Communications, Inc., is financially able to provide basic local telecommunications service. Staff's proposed exhibit will be marked as Exhibit 2 and entitled "Staff Statement Regarding Financial Review of Max-Tel." The Commission concludes that its order of October 29 should be rescinded and that all parties should be permitted to object to the proposed exhibit's admission.

1. That the Commission's October 29, 1997, Order to Respond to Requests for Additional Information is rescinded.

2. That the parties shall file objections to proposed Exhibit No. 2 by November 12, 1997.

3. That this order shall become effective on November 4, 1997.

**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Cecil I. Wright".

**Cecil I. Wright  
Executive Secretary**

( S E A L )

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

Randles, Regulatory Law Judge