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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Joint Application of)
Bourbeuse Telephone Company and Fidelity)
Telephone Company for Permission to Merge)
with Fidelity Telephone Company Becoming)
the Surviving Corporation.)

Case No. TM-98-444
Tariff Filing No. 9900423

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF AND CANCELING EXISTING TARIFF

On August 20, 1998, the Commission issued an Order Approving Merger that approved the merger of Bourbeuse Telephone Company (Bourbeuse) into Fidelity Telephone Company (Fidelity), leaving Fidelity as the surviving corporation. That Order directed Fidelity to file revised tariff sheets designed to implement the merger. Fidelity filed the revised tariff sheets on December 1. The Commission's Staff reviewed the tariff sheets and on December 18, filed a memorandum which recommends that Fidelity's revised tariff be approved and that Bourbeuse's existing tariff be canceled effective December 31, the effective date of the merger. Staff determined that the proposed tariffs accomplish each of the following:

- Incorporates Gerald, Bourbeuse's sole exchange, into Fidelity's local exchange service area;
- Inserts an exchange area map for Gerald; and
- Modifies the cover page of Fidelity's access service tariff to remove language referencing Bourbeuse;

The Commission has reviewed the tariff sheets and Staff's recommendation and finds that the revised tariff sheets conform to the Commission's Order of August 20 and should be approved to become effective on December 31.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the revised tariff, tariff filing No. 9900423, filed by Fidelity Telephone Company on December 1, 1998, is approved to become effective on December 31, 1998. The tariff approved is:

Fidelity Telephone Company

PSC Mo. No. 1, 2nd Revised Sheet No. C
Cancels 1st Revised Sheet No. C

PSC Mo. No. 1, Original Sheet No. 3.1

PSC Mo. No. 6, 1st Revised Title Page
Cancels Original Title Page

2. That the existing tariff of Bourbeuse Telephone Company is canceled effective December 31, 1998.

3. That this order shall become effective on December 31, 1998.

BY THE COMMISSION

Dale Hardy Roberts

**Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

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Morris L. Woodruff, 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 23rd day of December, 1998.

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