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**ORDER APPROVING INTEREXCHANGE AND NONSWITCHED LOCAL EXCHANGE**  
**CERTIFICATES OF SERVICE AUTHORITY AND ORDER APPROVING TARIFF**

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<sup>1</sup> All statutory references are to the Revised Statutes of Missouri 1994 unless otherwise indicated.

requested a hearing, the Commission may grant the relief requested based on the verified application.

TDS filed a proposed tariff in conjunction with its application and filed substitute sheets on April 24. The tariff's effective date is May 29. TDS's tariff describes the rates, rules, and regulations it intends to use, identifies TDS as a competitive company, and lists the waivers requested. TDS intends to provide interexchange and nonswitched local exchange telecommunications services including 1+ direct dial, 800/888/877, directory assistance, private line and travel card services.

In its Memorandum filed on May 20 the Staff of the Commission (Staff) stated that TDS's proposed services are similar to existing IXC offerings. Staff recommended that the Commission grant TDS a certificate of interexchange service authority, and a certificate of service authority for local exchange telecommunication services on condition that this authority be restricted to providing dedicated, nonswitched local exchange private line services. Staff recommended that the Commission grant TDS competitive status, and waiver of the statutes and rules listed in the Notice. Staff recommended that the Commission approve the proposed tariff as amended to become effective on May 29.

The Commission finds that competition in the intrastate interexchange and nonswitched local exchange telecommunications markets is in the public interest and TDS should be granted certificates of service authority. The Commission finds that the services TDS proposes to offer are competitive and TDS should be classified as a competitive company. The Commission finds that waiving the statutes and Commission rules set out in the ordered paragraph below is reasonable and not detrimental to the public interest.

The Commission finds that TDS's proposed tariff details the services, equipment, and pricing it proposes to offer, and is similar to tariffs approved for other Missouri certificated interexchange and nonswitched local exchange carriers. The Commission finds that the proposed tariff filed on March 20 shall be approved as amended to become effective on May 29.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That TDS Engineering, L.L.C. is granted a certificate of service authority to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in the state of Missouri, subject to the conditions of certification set out above.

2. That TDS Engineering, L.L.C. is granted a certificate of service authority to provide local exchange telecommunications services in the state of Missouri limited to providing dedicated, nonswitched local exchange private line services, subject to all applicable statutes and Commission rules except as specified in this order.

3. That TDS Engineering, L.L.C. is classified as a competitive telecommunications company. Application of the following statutes and regulatory rules shall be waived:

**Statutes**

392.240(1) - ratemaking  
392.270 - valuation of property (ratemaking)  
392.280 - depreciation accounts  
392.290 - issuance of securities  
392.310 - stock and debt issuance  
392.320 - stock dividend payment  
392.340 - reorganization(s)  
392.330, RSMo Supp. 1997 - issuance of securities,  
debts and notes

Commission Rules

4 CSR 240-10.020	- depreciation fund income
4 CSR 240-30.010(2)(C)	- rate schedules
4 CSR 240-30.040	- Uniform System of Accounts
4 CSR 240-32.030(1)(B)	- exchange boundary maps
4 CSR 240-32.030(1)(C)	- record keeping
4 CSR 240-32.030(2)	- in-state record keeping
4 CSR 240-32.050(3)	- local office record keeping
4 CSR 240-32.050(4)	- telephone directories
4 CSR 240-32.050(5)	- call intercept
4 CSR 240-32.050(6)	- telephone number changes
4 CSR 240-32.070(4)	- public coin telephone
4 CSR 240-33.030	- minimum charges rule
4 CSR 240-33.040(5)	- financing fees

4. That the tariff filed by TDS Engineering, L.L.C. on March 20, 1998, is approved as amended to become effective on May 29, 1998. The tariff approved is:

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5. That this order shall become effective on May 29, 1998.
6. That this case shall be closed on June 8, 1998.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



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

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Amy E. Randles, 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 26th day of May, 1998.

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