

STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 3rd day of December, 1998.

In the Matter of Southwestern Bell Telephone )  
Company's Tariff Designed to Offer One-Way ) Case No. TT-99-234  
COS-Type Service to Customers as a Result of ) (Tariff File 9900403)  
IntraLATA Presubscription. )

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWBT) filed tariff sheets on November 23, 1998, proposing to offer an interim one-way Message Telecommunications Service (MTS) to replace Community Optional Service (COS) in the petitioning exchanges of secondary carriers whose target exchange will implement intraLATA presubscription on December 9, 1998. SWBT proposes a flat monthly rate of \$23.00 for residential customers and \$33.00 for business customers for unlimited MTS calling to the target exchange, including all Extended Area Service exchanges associated with the target exchange.

The Staff of the Commission filed a recommendation on November 25, 1998. Staff indicated that SWBT characterizes its proposal as interim COS and has requested expedited approval and Commission authorization to make its proposal available to customers on December 9, 1998. Staff further noted that SWBT's proposal would offer the service to customers only as an option and only until such time as intraLATA presubscription is offered to customers in the petitioning exchange or

until July 1, 1999. The specific exchanges in which the interim COS service will be available are shown on the proposed original tariff sheets.

Staff also notes that SWBT's proposed rates are the same as rates previously approved by the Commission for GTE in a similar offering. Staff has no objections to SWBT's proposal and recommends Commission approval at the Commission's earliest convenience. Staff further recommends the Commission grant SWBT's request to make the service available on December 9, 1998.

The Commission has reviewed SWBT's application and the Staff recommendation. The Commission finds that SWBT's proposed new interim one-way Message Telecommunications Service plan is just and reasonable. Accordingly, SWBT's proposed tariff sheets shall be approved.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That the following tariff sheets, submitted on November 23, 1998, by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, are approved:

P.S.C. Mo.-No. 26  
Original Sheet 53  
Original Sheet 54  
Original Sheet 55

2. That this order shall become effective on December 9, 1998.

3. That this case may be closed on December 16, 1998.

**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dale Hardy Roberts".

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

( S E A L )

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

Ruth, Regulatory Law Judge