BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Everest Midwest Licensee, L.L.C. Changing Name to SureWest)) <u>Case No. TN-2009-0027</u>) Tariff Nos. JC-2009-0023, JX-2009-0021, JX-2009-0022

ORDER DIRECTING STAFF TO FILE AN EXPEDITED RECOMMENDATION

Issue Date: July 22, 2008

Effective Date: July 22, 2008

On July 3, 2008,¹ Everest Midwest Licensee, L.L.C. ("Everest") filed letters with the Commission requesting the Commission to recognize a name change from Everest Midwest Licensee, L.L.C. to Everest Midwest Licensee, L.L.C. d/b/a SureWest ("SureWest"). Also included with its request, Everest submitted three revised tariff sheets to its P.S.C. Tariff's No. 4, 5 and 6 reflecting the name change, all bearing effective dates of August 3.

In its attempt to be in compliance with Commission Rules 4 CSR 240-060(5) and 4 CSR 240-3.545(20), Everest has submitted (A) a statement clearly setting out both the old name and the new name; (B) evidence of the registration of the name change with the Missouri Secretary of State; and (C) adoption notices and revised tariff title sheets with effective dates not fewer than thirty days after the filing of its application. Everest has also included with its filing a copy of its customer notification of the name change.

Inadvertently, this filing was delayed in being entered into the Commission Electronic Filing and Information System and was not assigned to this Regulatory Law Judge until today. Consequently, the Commission will direct its Staff to file an expedited recommendation advising the Commission if Everest has substantially complied with Commission Rules 4 CSR 240-2.060(5) and 4 CSR 240-3.545(20) regarding its proposed name change. If Staff is unable to meet the expedited deadline set forth below, it shall file with the Commission a pleading stating when it is reasonable

¹ All dates throughout this order refer to the year 2008 unless otherwise noted.

for Staff to file its recommendation and if that date exceeds the effective dates on Everest's tariffs, Staff shall file the appropriate request to have the tariffs sheets suspended to allow sufficient time to examine Everest's proposed name change and tariff sheets to determine if their provisions are just, reasonable, and in the public interest.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. No later than 8:00 a.m. on July 28, 2008, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall file a recommendation as directed in the body of this order.

2. If the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission is unable to meet the expedited deadline set in ordered paragraph number 1, it shall file a pleading with the Commission no later than 12:00 noon on July 24, 2008 stating when it will be able to file its recommendation and requesting a suspension of the tariff sheets filed by Everest Midwest Licensee, L.L.C. on July 3, 2008 as directed in the body of this order.

3. This order shall become effective immediately upon issue on July 22, 2008.

BY THE COMMISSION



Colleen M. Dale Secretary

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Harold Stearley, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 22nd day of July, 2008.