BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Tari Christ d/b/a ANJ Communications, et al.,)
Complainants,)
v.) <u>Case No. TC-2005-0067</u>
Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, L.P. d/b/a Southwestern Bell Telephone Company,)))
Respondent)

ORDER FURTHER SUSPENDING PROCEEDINGS

Issue Date: February 16, 2012 Effective Date: February 16, 2012

Tari Christ d/b/a ANJ Communications, and 27 other Missouri private payphone service providers, filed a complaint against Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, L.P. d/b/a Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (n/k/a AT&T Missouri) in 2004. Before AT&T Missouri filed its answer, the parties agreed to mediate their dispute. For that reason, on November 10, 2004, the Commission stayed this proceeding to allow the parties an opportunity to mediate.

Despite the inactivity regarding the complaint at this Commission, the Complainants explain that issues regarding compensation to payphone providers that are the subject of the complaint have been addressed over the past seven years by the FCC. The FCC has not yet resolved those issues, but the Complainants are hopeful that a resolution may be forthcoming soon. The Complainants further explain that the Commission cannot effectively address the issues raised in the complaint until the FCC makes its ruling.

On August 22, 2011, at the request of the parties, the Commission formally suspended this complaint until February 17, 2012, to allow further time for the FCC to act. The FCC has not yet acted, but on February 16, the Complainants filed another motion requesting a further 180-day suspension of the complaint.

Based on the Complainants' motion, the Commission will suspend proceedings regarding this complaint until August 15, 2012.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Proceedings in this complaint case are suspended until August 15, 2012, or until further order from the Commission.
 - 2. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION

Steven C. Reed Secretary

(SEAL)

Morris L. Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 16th day of February, 2012.