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STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission,  
Complainant,  
V.  
M.L.M. Telecommunications, Inc.  
Respondent.

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) Case No. TC-2003-0251  
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PREHEARING CONFERENCE  
Volume I  
Wednesday, April 16, 2003  
Governor Office Building  
200 Madison Street  
Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

KENNARD L. JONES, Presiding,  
REGULATORY LAW JUDGE

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D/B/A Ameritel Phone Company.

1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 RLJ JONES: Good morning. Today is April 16,  
3 2003. It's eleven o'clock.

4 This is Case No. TC-2003-0251. It's now before  
5 the Missouri Public Service Commission.

6 I am Kennard Jones, the presiding judge of this  
7 matter.

8 Starting to my left, will you all please  
9 introduce yourselves.

10 MR. MEYER: My name is David Meyer. I am  
11 representing the Staff of the Missouri Public Service  
12 Commission in this matter.

13 Our address is P. O. Box 360, Jefferson City,  
14 Missouri 65102.

15 MR. BRANDT: My name is John Brandt.

16 I'm the Director of Regulatory Affairs for  
17 M.L.M. Telecommunications, Inc.

18 Our address is 1307 Central Avenue,  
19 Hot Springs, Arkansas 71901.

20 MS. YOUNG: I am Mary Ann Young with the law  
21 firm of William D. Steinmeier, P.C.

22 Our mailing address is P. O. Box 104595,  
23 Jefferson City, Missouri 65110.

24 I'm appearing this morning on behalf of M.L.M.  
25 Telecommunications, Inc., doing business as Ameritel Phone

1 Company.

2 RLJ JONES: Thank you.

3 The Staff of the Commission has brought a  
4 complaint against M.L.M. Telecommunications, Incorporated,  
5 alleging that M.L.M. has been operating as a  
6 telecommunications company without a tariff and under a  
7 fictitious name that has not been approved by the  
8 Commission.

9 Staff has asked that the Commission find  
10 M.L.M. in violation of Sections 392.221.1 and 392.480  
11 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, Commission  
12 Rule 4 CSR 240-2.060(16), and the Commission's order in  
13 Case No. CA-2002-1140.

14 Staff asked that the Commission revoke  
15 the certificate of service authority granted in Case  
16 No. CA-2002-1140, direct the General Counsel of the  
17 Commission to initiate action in civil court to enjoin  
18 M.L.M. from offering telecommunication service to  
19 customers in Missouri and also to recover penalties from  
20 M.L.M. in an amount the Commission determines is  
21 appropriate.

22 Staff also requested that Southwestern Bell  
23 Telephone Company be joined as a party to this matter.

24 Southwestern has been joined but is excused  
25 from appearing at this prehearing conference.

1 M.L.M. has stated that although it erroneously  
2 began doing business without a tariff, it has filed a  
3 tariff in Case No. CN-2003-0266.

4 The Commission takes notice that M.L.M.'s  
5 tariff and fictitious name has been approved effective  
6 March 17, 2003 in Case No. CN-2003-0266.

7 The purpose of this prehearing conference is to  
8 bring the parties together to facilitate some type of  
9 agreement or a settlement and to satisfy the Commission  
10 that the parties have actually met face to face, and at  
11 this time the parties are urged to take this opportunity  
12 to try to settle this matter.

13 If you are unable to settle prior to April 30,  
14 2003, the Commission at that time will require a  
15 procedural schedule to move the matter towards a hearing.

16 And does anyone here have any questions or  
17 comments or concerns?

18 Okay. Well, with that, we will conclude the  
19 prehearing conference.

20 Thank you all for being here.

21 WHEREUPON, the on-the-record portion of the  
22 Prehearing Conference was concluded.

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