

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**  
**OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Application of McDonald     )  
County Telephone Company for Authority to     )  
Create a Lien on its Property Devoted to the     ) **Case No. TO-2009-0025**  
Public Service for the Purpose of Obtaining     )  
a Loan to be Used to Construct Additional     )  
Facilities     )

**ORDER DIRECTING FILING**

Issue Date: July 21, 2008

Effective Date: July 21, 2008

On June 14, 2008, McDonald County Telephone Company (hereafter "McDonald County Telephone"), filed an application with the Missouri Public Service Commission. It asks for authority to pledge certain of its assets as collateral so that it may obtain a loan to finance construction needed for it to serve its customers.

The Commission will order its Staff to respond to the application.

**IT IS ORDERED THAT:**

1. The Staff of the Commission shall file a Recommendation or, in the alternative, a Status Report stating when it plans to file its Recommendation, no later than August 20, 2008.

2. This order shall become effective on July 21, 2008.

**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale  
Secretary

( S E A L )

Ronald D. Pridgin, Senior Regulatory  
Law Judge, by delegation of authority  
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2008.