

MEMORANDUM

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TO: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File
Case No. TA-99-310 File No. 9900526
Applicant: Harcourt Telco, LLC

FROM: Natelle Anna *no*
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SUBJECT: Staff Recommendation for Approval of Certificate

DATE: February 18, 1998

Date Assigned: February 3, 1999

Staff Deadline: February 22, 1999

The Telecommunications Department Staff (Staff) recommends the applicant be granted the following certificate(s), as indicated by check marks, to be effective on the same date the tariff becomes effective:

- ☒ certificate to provide interexchange telecommunications services.
☒ certificate to provide local exchange telecommunications
*local exchange authority should be restricted to dedicated, private line services.

Staff recommends the applicant receive competitive classification. Furthermore, Staff recommends approval of the applicant's proposed tariff, PSC MO No. 1, with a proposed effective date 3/8/99. In addition, Staff recommends approval of the waivers listed in the Notice.

Is there an attachment to this recommendation indicating any recommendations or special considerations? ☒ Yes ☐ No.

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Application / Tariff Review Items

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No applications to intervene filed
Application contains the following:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Proper Secretary of State authorization
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Request for classification as a competitive telecommunications company.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	See All requested waivers are listed in the Notice and all requested waivers Attch. have been previously been granted to other competitive companies
Proposed tariff:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Complies with PSC rules and statutes applicable to applicant.
<input type="checkbox"/>	If operator services offered, operator services requirements are included. Includes "interexchange" tariff text if offers private line service w/o requesting a local certificate.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	If ICB pricing proposed, only for private line.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	If ICB pricing is offered, tariff includes standardized ICB text. Rate structures or service offerings are similar to existing IXC offerings. (In addition, tariff does not geographically de-average.)
<input type="checkbox"/>	If promotional offering text is included, it is standardized promotion text.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Waivers listed in tariff match those listed in application and Notice.

Services Offered in Initial Tariff

<input type="checkbox"/> 1+ <input type="checkbox"/> 800/888/877 Services <input type="checkbox"/> Directory Assistance <input type="checkbox"/> Operator Services	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Line <input type="checkbox"/> Debit card <input type="checkbox"/> Travel Card <input type="checkbox"/> Other Data services only
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Has proposed effective date been extended?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
New effective date: _____				
Have substitute tariff sheets been filed?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
Date of substitute sheets: 2/3/99 and 2/16/99				

From	Initials	Date	Revised
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Attachment to Harcourt Telco, LLC
Case No. TA-99-310
Tariff File No. 9900526

Harcourt Telco, LLC (Harcourt) proposes to offer only high-speed digital communications technologies for non-basic, non-switched local exchange services and interexchange services to customers throughout Missouri. Based on discussions with Harcourt, the Telecommunications Department Staff (Staff) believes that Harcourt will offer local area networking, wide area networking and Internet access to its customers. As stated on original page 18 of its proposed tariff, Harcourt: 1. provides data connections only, 2. does not include access to/from a public switched network and 3. does not assign or route traffic by the use of telephone numbers (services are routed via data addresses). Harcourt further states that if it should decide to provide service to/from a public switched network, it will file tariffs reflecting the rates, terms and conditions for such services.

It is in the opinion of Staff that Harcourt's proposed services are within the realm of private line services (i.e. not public switched); therefore, it is appropriate for Harcourt to use individual case basis (ICB) pricing for the proposed services. ICB pricing for private line services is consistent with the Commission's treatment of other competitive interexchange and non-switched local exchange telecommunications companies that offer private line services. Staff also believes ICB pricing for private line services is consistent with Section 392-200 (8) RSMo. Cumulative Supp. 1996. Finally, the Commission has approved a similar service for Dakota Services, LTD. in its December 21, 1998, Order Approving Interexchange and Non-Switched Local Exchange Certificates of Service Authority and Order Approving Tariff in Case No. TA-99-150, Tariff File No. 9900298.

In the Application for Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, Harcourt requests a waiver of the following 1+/0+ carrier services: Operator and Directory Assistance, Directories, Enhanced 911 Emergency Service, Coin Telephones, Individual Line Service, Dual Tone Multifrequency Signaling, Telecommunications Relay Service, Dialing Parity, AOS requirements, Local Number Portability and 24 Hour Emergency Service Calling Plan for Message Toll service. Harcourt notes that its service offerings will not use these services so waivers may not be necessary. Since these services will not be offered by Harcourt, Staff also suggests that these waivers are not necessary and recommends that the Commission only approve the standard waivers as listed in the Notice of Applications and proposed tariff.