

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of

APPLICATION OF GENERAL TELEPHONE)
COMPANY OF KENTUCKY FOR A CERTIFICATE)
THAT PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY)
REQUIRE THE ACQUISITION BY IT OF A)
FRANCHISE TO SUPPLY LOCAL AND LONG)
DISTANCE TELEPHONE SERVICE IN THE)
TERRITORIAL LIMITS OF THE CITY OF)
SOMERSET, KENTUCKY)

CASE NO.
8625

O R D E R

On August 23, 1982, General Telephone Company of Kentucky filed with the Commission its Application seeking a certificate of convenience and necessity to qualify it to bid on a telephone franchise from the City of Somerset, Kentucky. Under the provisions of KRS 278.020(3) no utility may apply for a franchise from any governmental agency until it has obtained a certificate of convenience and necessity from this Commission based on our finding that there is a need and demand for the service sought to be rendered.

The Commission finds that there is a need and demand for telephone service in the City of Somerset, Kentucky. Since the Commission's authority in such matters is limited by statute to finding only whether there is a need and demand for the service sought to be rendered, no finding or determination is made as to the validity of any of the provisions of the franchise offered by said city or the manner in which any franchise fee is to be treated for rate purposes.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED That General Telephone Company of Kentucky be and it hereby is granted a certificate of convenience and necessity which authorizes it to bid on a telephone franchise in the City of Somerset, Kentucky.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That General Telephone Company of Kentucky, if it becomes the successful bidder, file with this Commission a copy of the said franchise.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That this Order shall not be construed as granting a certificate of convenience and necessity to construct utility facilities in said city.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 10th day of September, 1982.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Marlin W. Volk
Chairman

Katherine Randall
Vice Chairman

Don Carver
Commissioner

ATTEST:

Secretary