

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of

THE TARIFF APPLICATION OF)	
SOUTH CENTRAL BELL TO REVISE)	CASE NO. 8645
VARIABLE TERM PAYMENT PLAN)	

O R D E R

On August 23, 1982, South Central Bell filed a tariff with the Commission, wherein it proposed to revise a portion of the Variable Term Payment Plan (VTPP). In the tariff now in effect, charges for services such as installation and service establishment are to be paid in full at the time of installation. Under the proposed tariff, such charges may be paid in full or "deferred according to lawful terms and conditions approved by the Commission."

On September 10, 1982, the Commission suspended the tariff for a period of 5 months from the proposed effective date of September 12, 1982. The page of the tariff suspended was:

CUSTOMER PREMISES PRODUCTS TARIFF

Section T2

Third Revised Page 24

Findings In This Matter

The Commission, having concluded its investigation, considered the evidence of record and being advised, is of the opinion and finds that:

1. The Commission has received no comments or objections from any party. Therefore, a hearing should not be held.

2. The proposed tariff does not explicitly state the conditions, restrictions, and interest rate review periods. This is a possible source of conflict and could result in actions that are not in the best interest of the public. Therefore, this tariff should be denied.

3. The proposed tariff should be modified to explicitly state the conditions, restrictions and interest rate review period as follows:

Nonecurring charges are to be paid in full at the time of installation or may be deferred according to lawful terms and conditions mutually agreed upon by the customer and the Company, subject to the following restrictions:

- (a) The deferred payment period may not exceed the VTPP payment period selected by the customer.
- (b) The deferred payment will only be available for VTPP periods longer than one month.
- (c) Interest will be applicable to the deferred nonrecurring charges. The interest rate will be reviewed quarterly. Any changes to the interest rate will affect prospective customers only, and will be submitted for Commission approval prior to implementation.

Orders In This Matter

The Commission, on the basis of the matters set forth above and the evidentiary record in this case:

HEREBY ORDERS that the proposed tariff, Customer Premises Product Tariff, Section T2, Third Revised Page 24, be and it hereby is denied.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that South Central Bell Telephone Company shall refile the aforementioned tariff page, modified to incorporate the terms set out in the third finding in this Order, within 20 days of the date of this Order.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 23th day of October, 1982.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Chairman


Vice Chairman


Commissioner

ATTEST:

Secretary