

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of

NOTICE OF SOUTH CENTRAL BELL)	
TELEPHONE COMPANY OF AN ADJUST-)	CASE NO.
MENT IN ITS INTRASTATE RATES)	8847
AND CHARGES)	

and

In the Matter of

THE VOLUME USAGE MEASURED RATE)	
SERVICE AND MULTILINE SERVICE)	CASE NO.
TARIFF FILING OF SOUTH CENTRAL)	8879
BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY)	

O R D E R

On August 24, 1983, South Central Bell Telephone Company ("South Central Bell"), by counsel, filed its Motion requesting that the Commission set aside its Order entered August 9, 1983, authorizing Benjamin J. Lookofsky to intervene.

The Motion states, among other things, that the only interest alleged by the proposed intervenor is his interest as a consumer of telephone service, that consumers are adequately represented by the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division, the City of Louisville, Jefferson County and the Commission Staff, all of whom are charged by law with the responsibility of advocating the interests of the proposed intervenor, that to permit intervention will result in a proliferation of parties and substantial additional expense which must be borne by the consumers. The Motion further states that South Central Bell has no objection to the proposed intervenor appearing at hearings the Commission may schedule

for that purpose and making any statement that may be relevant to the issues before the Commission.

On September 6, 1983, Benjamin Lookofsky filed his Response to Motion of South Central Bell. The Response states that South Central Bell, by public advertisement, stated that any corporation or association or body politic or person may by timely motion intervene and that, therefore, South Central Bell has waived any objections. The Response further states that in the opinion of Mr. Lookofsky, he is not adequately represented by the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division or by the City of Louisville or Jefferson County, that he has the right to choose who he wants to represent him, and that he does not choose to be represented by those entities enumerated by South Central Bell.

On September 7, 1983, South Central Bell, by counsel, filed its Reply to the Response of Benjamin J. Lookofsky stating that its advertisement and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 3(8) which deals with the right of intervention in rate proceedings are addressed to the discretion of the Commission, and if the consumer's interest is adequately represented by the Attorney General, municipal governments and the Commission Staff, the Commission should exercise its discretion to disallow further interventions but permit proposed applicants to make relevant statements in support of their positions.

The Commission, having considered the Motion of South Central Bell, the Response of Benjamin J. Lookofsky, and the Reply of South Central Bell and being advised, **HEREBY ORDERS** that the Motion of South Central Bell be and it hereby is overruled.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 14th day of September,
1983.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Chairman


Vice Chairman


Commissioner

ATTEST:

Secretary