

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of

AN INQUIRY INTO INTER- AND )  
INTRALATA INTRASTATE COMPETITION )  
IN TOLL AND RELATED SERVICES ) ADM. CASE NO. 273  
MARKETS IN KENTUCKY )

O R D E R

In a letter dated February 1, 1985, Cincinnati Bell Telephone ("CBT") notified the Public Service Commission that the company may have difficulties in complying with the intraLATA blocking requirements set forth in the Commission's Order in Administrative Case No. 273. CBT stated,

Due to the manner in which the central office equipment is configured, if intraLATA Kentucky traffic directed to interexchange carriers is physically blocked, then interstate intraLATA traffic is also blocked.

Thus CBT contends it would be in violation of its interstate tariffs if it implements this section of the Commission's Order.

Though not explicitly requested, the Commission will treat CBT's letter as a petition to waive the interexchange intraLATA blocking requirement in Administrative Case No. 273. CBT has indicated in its letter that it is continuing "to explore possible solutions to this problem and will keep the Commission informed of its progress." Therefore the Commission is of the opinion and finds that CBT at the present time is unable to technically block intrastate intraLATA traffic without being in violation of its

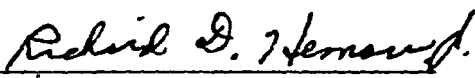
interstate tariffs. Furthermore the Commission will grant a temporary waiver for its blocking requirement to CBT. However the Commission will require CBT to provide a report on its progress in overcoming the technical and economic problems associated with blocking intrastate intraLATA traffic by October 1, 1985. The Commission will reconsider its temporary waiver at that time.

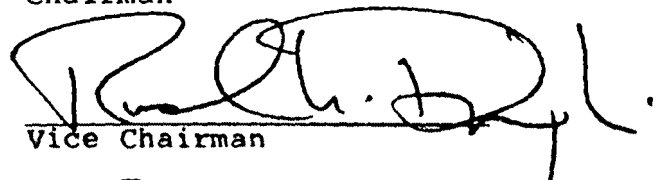
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that CBT shall be granted a waiver until October 1, 1985, from the Commission's Order in Administrative Case No. 273 requiring CBT to block interexchange carrier intraLATA traffic.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that CBT shall file a report on or about October 1, 1985, detailing its progress in overcoming technical problems associated with blocking interexchange carrier intraLATA traffic.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 25th day of March, 1985.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

  
Chairman

  
Vice Chairman

  
Commissioner

ATTEST:

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Secretary