

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE COMMUNITY CONNECTION SERVICE)
TARIFF FILING OF CINCINNATI BELL) CASE NO. 90-138
TELEPHONE COMPANY)

O R D E R

On April 30, 1990, Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company ("Cincinnati Bell") made a tariff filing to make permanent its experimental offering of Community Connection Service ("CCS") between its Butler and Alexandria exchanges and its Butler and Independence exchanges. On May 25, 1990, the tariff filing was suspended to allow adequate time for investigation.

CCS is a non-optional, usage based, one-way or two-way local calling plan that allows customers to complete interexchange calls at local measured service rates. It is intended as an alternative to conventional flat rate extended area service and existing toll rates. Cincinnati Bell has offered CCS on a trial basis since June 1, 1988, including during the pendency of this investigation.

On October 25, 1990, the Commission entered a decision in Administrative Case No. 285.¹ In part, the Commission denied a proposal made by South Central Bell Telephone Company to expand


¹ Administrative Case No. 285, An Investigation Into the Economic Feasibility of Providing Local Measured Service Telephone Rates in Kentucky.

local calling areas via implementation of interexchange calling at local measured service rates. That proposal and CCS are essentially the same. Therefore, the Commission finds that Cincinnati Bell's tariff filing should be denied, subject to reconsideration in any future extended area service investigation.

Having been otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission HEREBY ORDERS that Cincinnati Bell's tariff filing to make permanent its experimental offering of CCS is denied. However, the experimental tariff shall remain in effect pending further Commission decisions concerning extended area service issues.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 1st day of November, 1990.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Chairman


Vice Chairman


Commissioner

ATTEST:


Executive Director