COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF PREMIERE

COMMUNICATIONS, INC. TO OPERATE

AS A RESELLER OF INTEREXCHANGE

TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES AND

PROVIDER OF OPERATOR SERVICES

WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH OF

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ORDER

On April 6, 1992, Premiere Communications, Inc. ("Premiere") filed an application seeking a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to operate as a reseller of telecommunications services and to provide operator-assisted services. Premiere was ordered to file additional information on May 22 and July 28, 1992. Premiere filed its responses on June 17 and August 7, 1992, respectively.

Premiere filed its proposed tariff on April 6, 1992. In response to the Commission's requests for additional information, Premiere filed revised tariff sheets on June 17 and August 7, 1992. The Commission finds that Premiere has revised its tariff to comply with the restrictions, guidelines, and conditions of service established for the provision of operator-assisted services in Administrative Case No. 330, which are attached hereto and

Administrative Case No. 330, Policy and Procedures in the Provision of Operator-Assisted Telecommunications Services, Orders dated March 27 and May 3, 1991.

incorporated herein as Appendix A. Premiere does not intend to provide any payphone services within the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Premiere eventually intends to provide operator-assisted services through the use of its own operators. Until such time that Premiere has its own operators, calls requiring operator assistance will be routed to another presubscribed operator service provider or to the local exchange carrier. Premiere intends to resell intrastate telecommunications services of certified interexchange carriers.

Premiere has the financial, technical, and managerial capabilities to provide resold intrastate telecommunications services and operator-assisted services, as demonstrated by this application. Premiere should be authorized to provide intrastate resold telecommunications services and operator-assisted services.

The Commission, having considered the evidence of record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, HEREBY ORDERS that:

- 1. Premiere be and it hereby is granted authority to provide intrastate resold telecommunications services.
- Premiere be and it hereby is granted authority to provide intrastate operator-assisted services.
- 3. This authority to provide service is strictly limited to those services described in this Order, Premiere's application, and conditions described in this Order and its Appendix A.
- 4. The rates proposed by Premiere on April 6, 1992, as revised on June 17, and August 7, 1992, are hereby approved.

5. Within 30 days from the date of this Order, Premiere shall file its April 6, 1992 proposed tariff, as revised on June 17, 1992 and August 7, 1992, pursuant to 807 KAR 5:011.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 4th day of September, 1992.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Vice Chairman

Commissioner

ATTEST:

Executive Director

APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 92-078 DATED SEPTEMBER 4, 1992

Conditions of Service for the Provision of Operator Services Adopted from Commission Orders in Administrative Case No. 330, Orders Dated March 27, 1991 and May 3, 1991.

Premiere Communications, Inc. has revised its tariff to conform to the policies and procedures for the provision of operator-assisted telecommunications services by non-local exchange carriers, which are as follows:

Operator-assisted services shall be subject regulation and rates shall not exceed AT&T's maximum approved rates. "Maximum approved rates" is defined to mean the rates approved by this Commission in AT&T's most recent rate proceeding for measured toll service applicable to operator-assisted calls, as well as additional charges for operator assistance. Carriers are permitted to include any other surcharges or to bill for uncompleted calls. Time-of-day discounts shall also be applicable. Carriers are also required to rate calls using the same basis that AT&T uses to rate calls, i.e., distance calculations based on points-of-call origination and termination, definitions of chargeable times, billing unit increments, rounding of fractional units, and minimum usages. When there is any change in AT&T's maximum approved rates, carriers shall file tariffs if necessary to comply with the requirements herein within 30 days of the effective date of AT&T's rate change.

(b) Except as otherwise indicated in this Order, non-dominant carriers shall be subject to regulation as delineated in the May 25, 1984 Order in Administrative Case No. 273 as well as any subsequent modifications to non-dominant carrier regulations. In the event of conflict, the terms of the instant Order shall take precedence, unless a carrier is specifically relieved from compliance with any conditions contained herein. AT&T shall remain subject to regulatory oversight as a dominant carrier.

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- (c) Operator service providers that provide service to traffic aggregators shall not allow access to the operator services of competing carriers to be blocked or intercepted. Blocking and interception prohibitions shall be included in tariffs and all contracts entered into with any traffic aggregator and shall state that violators will be subject to immediate termination of service after 20 days' notice to the owners of non-complying customer premises equipment.
- (d) Access to the local exchange carriers' operators shall not be blocked or otherwise intercepted by traffic aggregators. Specifically, all "0-" calls, that is, when an end-user dials zero without any following digits, shall be directed to the local exchange carrier operators. In equal access areas, "0+" intraLATA calls, that is, when an end-user dials zero and then dials the digits of the called telephone number, shall not be intercepted or blocked. In non-equal access areas, it is prohibited to block or intercept "0-" calls; however, it is permissible to intercept "0+" calls. Blocking and interception prohibitions shall be included in tariffs and all contracts entered into with any traffic aggregator and shall state

that violators will be subject to immediate termination of service after 20 days' notice to the owners of non-complying customer premises equipment.

- (e) Carriers shall not be required to provide access codes of competitors. Each carrier should advise its own customers as to the appropriate 10XXX access code.
- (f) Carriers shall provide tent cards and stickers to traffic aggregators to be placed near or on telephone equipment used to access their services and shall include provisions in tariffs and contracts entered into with any traffic aggregator that subject violators to immediate termination of service after 20 days' notice to the owners of non-complying customer premises equipment.
- (g) Operators shall identify the carrier at least once during every call before any charges are incurred.
- (h) Operators shall provide an indication of the carrier's rates to any caller upon request.
- (i) Carriers shall not accept calling cards for billing purposes if they are unable to validate the card.