COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF HOST NETWORK, INC. FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO RESELL TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN THE STATE OF KENTUCKY

CASE NO. 96-124

<u>ORDER</u>

On April 3, 1996, Host Network, Inc. ("Host") filed its application with the Commission seeking a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide intrastate, long-distance telecommunications services as a reseller within the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Host is a California corporation proposing to resell the services of carriers currently certified within the Commonwealth of Kentucky in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in its tariff. Host does not seek authority to provide operator-assisted telecommunications services.

Host employs no intrastate transmission or reception telecommunications equipment or facilities in the performance of its services, and all intrastate facilities, equipment, and networking will be provided by the underlying carrier. Host will not construct any new facilities in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

The information provided by Host demonstrates its financial, managerial, and technical capability to provide intrastate, long-distance telecommunications service. The proposed rates filed April 3, 1996, and amended June 3, 1996, should be approved as the fair, just and reasonable rates to be charged.

In Administrative Case No. 306,¹ the Commission stated the importance of eliminating possible customer confusion arising from the name of the billing service, rather than the name of the provider of telecommunications services, appearing on the bill. Accordingly, Host should ensure that its name appears prominently on all bills issued to customers for services rendered by it.

The Commission, having considered the application, the information provided by Host, and being otherwise sufficiently advised, HEREBY ORDERS that:

1. Host be and it hereby is granted authority to provide intrastate, long-distance telecommunications services within the Commonwealth of Kentucky on and after the date of this Order.

Host shall comply with the provisions of the Orders in Administrative Case No.
323.²

3. Host shall ensure that its name appears prominently on all bills issued to customers for services rendered by it.

4. Host's authority to provide service in this Commonwealth is strictly limited to those services described in this Order and in Host's application.

5. The rates and charges proposed by Host are hereby approved as filed on April 3, 1996 and amended June 3, 1996.

6. Within 30 days from the date of this Order, Host shall file its tariff sheets in accordance with 807 KAR 5:011.

¹ Administrative Case No. 306, Detariffing Billing and Collection Services, Order dated April 30, 1990.

² Administrative Case No. 323, An Inquiry Into IntraLATA Toll Competition, An Appropriate Compensation Scheme for Completion of IntraLATA Calls by Interexchange Carriers, and WATS Jurisdictionality.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 2nd day of July, 1996.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Executive Director