

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

INTRALATA AND INTERLATA REPORTS)
ON MINUTES OF USE BY SERVICE) CASE NO. 91-179

O R D E R

The Commission, on its own motion, established this case to serve as a depository for Reports on Minutes of Use by Service. All intraLATA dominant and non-dominant carriers were required by Administrative Case No. 323¹ to file reports on intraLATA minutes of use (Kentucky jurisdictional) by type of service with this Commission on a quarterly basis. The purpose of these reports was to assist the Commission in evaluating the evolution of the intraLATA toll market.

Simultaneously, the Commission directed all interLATA dominant and non-dominant carriers to file reports on interLATA minutes of use (Kentucky jurisdictional), by type of service, with the Commission on a quarterly basis. The information was used to evaluate the continuing changes in the interLATA toll market. By Order dated June 11, 1991, the Commission recognized the sensitive nature of this information and granted it confidentiality.

On February 27, 1992, the Commission ordered all carriers under its jurisdiction to file intraLATA and interLATA reports on minutes of use in a revised format which classified the data as residential or business rather than by type of service as originally

¹ 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.

ordered. Motions requesting reconsideration or relief were filed and granted by the Commission on April 7, 1992. On June 11, 1992, the Commission issued an Order requesting additional information. The responses to the Order indicated that only three of the Local Exchange Carriers ("LECs"), BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"), GTE South Incorporated ("GTE South"), and Brandenburg Telephone Company, Inc. ("Brandenburg"), maintained the requested data by market segment.

By Order dated December 11, 1992, the Commission ordered BellSouth, GTE South, and Brandenburg to continue filing minutes of use reports, segregated by residential and business markets. All other telecommunications utilities, except Customer-Owned Coin-Operated Telephones, were required to continue filing minutes of use reports, however, they did not have to be segregated by residential and business. The utilities were no longer required to file information by line of service.

On May 9, 1995, BellSouth filed a motion to discontinue filing its quarterly reports on minutes of use. No responses to BellSouth's motion were filed. The Commission determined that the usefulness of the information had not diminished since the inception of the filing requirements and, by Order dated June 16, 1995, denied BellSouth's motion. The Commission did, however, change the quarterly filing requirement to an annual report requirement for all carriers.

The Commission now finds that the intraLATA and interLATA toll markets have become sufficiently competitive and that the information provided in the minutes of use reports is no longer needed for its original purpose. Accordingly, the telecommunications carriers will no longer be required to file the reports.

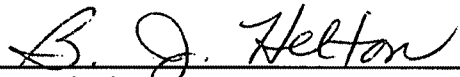
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that all telecommunications companies are relieved from the annual reports on minutes of use filing requirement.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky this 27th day of March, 1997.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Chairman


Vice Chairman


Commissioner

ATTEST:


Executive Director