

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF THE) CASE NO.
TRANSFER OF CONTROL OF ALLTEL) 2005-00534
KENTUCKY, INC. AND KENTUCKY ALLTEL, INC.)

O R D E R

On March 24, 2006, the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (“IBEW”) moved for full intervention in this proceeding. The IBEW asserts that it represents approximately 6,391 employees who are also consumers in Kentucky. Many of these employees are employed by ALLTEL Kentucky. IBEW states that it desires to participate in the proceeding to further the interests of its members as employees and as customers of ALLTEL Kentucky. IBEW also argues that permitting its intervention will not result in any delay, complication or prejudice to the parties as IBEW is not seeking to modify or expand the existing procedural schedule.

Kentucky ALLTEL, Inc., ALLTEL Kentucky, Inc., ALLTEL Communications, Inc., ALLTEL Holding Corp., Valor Communications Group, Inc. and ALLTEL Holding Corporate Services, Inc. (“Applicants”) oppose IBEW’s motion for full intervention. Applicants assert that the motion is untimely and would unduly complicate and disrupt the proceedings.

On March 31, 2006, the Attorney General, by and through his Office of Rate Intervention, moved the Commission to dismiss Applicants’ amended and restated application or, in the alternative, to grant the IBEW motion to intervene.

IBEW, according to the Attorney General, has a special interest and its participation may lead to the presentation of issues and development of facts to assist the Commission.

Having considered all pleadings, the Commission finds that the IBEW is likely to present issues and develop facts that will assist the Commission in fully considering the matters without unduly complicating or disrupting the proceedings. Moreover, the Commission finds that Applicants will not be prejudiced by this intervention, as the procedural schedule entered on March 2, 2006 remains intact. The Commission, being otherwise sufficiently advised, finds that IBEW should be granted full rights of a party in this proceeding and should accept the procedural schedule as it now stands.

IT IS HERBY ORDERED that:

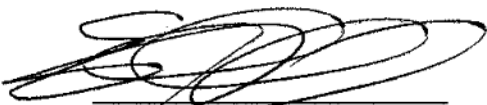
1. The motion of the IBEW to intervene is granted and the IBEW shall accept the existing procedural schedule.
2. The IBEW shall be entitled to the full rights of a party and shall be served with the Commission's Orders and with filed testimony, exhibits, pleadings, correspondence, and all other documents submitted by parties after the date of this Order.
3. Should the IBEW file documents of any kind with the Commission in the course of these proceedings, it shall also serve a copy of said documents on all other parties of record.

4. The Attorney General's motion to dismiss, filed March 31, 2006, is denied, but his alternative request is granted.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 19th day of April, 2006.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

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Executive Director