

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THOMAS DEAN STAUFFER	)	
	)	
COMPLAINANT	)	
	)	
V.	)	CASE NO. 2007-00399
	)	
BRANDENBURG TELEPHONE COMPANY	)	
	)	
DEFENDANT	)	

O R D E R

On March 25, 2008, Commission Staff issued a data request to Brandenburg Telephone Company (“Brandenburg”). Included in that data request was a provision stating, “any request for a hearing must be made by April 30, 2008.”<sup>1</sup> Brandenburg filed its responses to the Commission’s data request on April 9, 2008 and filed a request for a formal hearing on April 15, 2008.

When Commission Staff issued its March 25, 2008 data request, it was aware that Brandenburg had filed an action in small claims court in Meade County against Complainant’s son, David Stauffer, and Complainant’s wife, Illissa Stauffer, for the disputed balance that had appeared on Complainant’s bill. Subsequent to the filing of Brandenburg’s response to the March 25, 2008 data request and subsequent to Brandenburg’s request for a hearing, the small claims court in Meade County issued its

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<sup>1</sup> Commission Staff’s Data Request, dated March 25, 2008, at 9.

decision granting Brandenburg judgment for the delinquent account, court costs, and interest.


The ruling of the Meade County small claims court possibly has rendered the complaint moot as the central issue of the complaint, the liability of the delinquent account, has been determined by Meade County small claims court. Brandenburg, however, has requested a formal hearing. In order for the Commission to determine whether a formal hearing is necessary, Brandenburg must provide further information to support its request.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that, within 10 days of the date of this Order, Brandenburg shall file the following information: (1) the issues to be raised at the hearing; (2) a general description of the evidence to be presented; (3) a general description of the testimony to be offered; and (4) a list of potential witnesses that would be called at a hearing.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2008.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

  
Executive Director *for Stephanie Stumbo*  
*by permission*