COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF COMPETITIVE)
CARRIERS OF THE SOUTH, INC. FOR)
A DECLARATORY ORDER AFFIRMING) CASE NO.
THAT THE INTERCONNECTION REGIMES) 2015-00283
UNDER KRS 278.530 AND 47 U.S.C. § 251)
ARE TECHNOLOGY NEUTRAL	j ,

ORDER

On June 23, 2016, the Commission issued an Order establishing a procedural schedule in this case. On August 9, 2016, on motion of BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC d/b/a AT&T Kentucky ("AT&T Kentucky"), the Commission issued an Order modifying the procedural schedule. Competitive Carriers of the South, Inc. ("CompSouth"), on December 7, 2016, filed a motion to compel discovery responses from AT&T Kentucky and MCIMetro Access Transmission Services LLC d/b/a Verizon Access Transmission Services ("Verizon"). AT&T Kentucky and Verizon filed individual motions to strike CompSouth's motion to compel. On December 23, 2016, AT&T Kentucky, Verizon, and CompSouth (collectively the "Parties") filed with the Commission a Joint Motion to Suspend Current Procedural Schedule and Withdrawal of Pending Motions Without Prejudice ("Joint Motion").

In the Joint Motion, the Parties requested that the Commission suspend the current procedural schedule, including the formal hearing scheduled for January 31, 2017. As grounds for their motion the Parties stated that CompSouth would withdraw its motions to compel; AT&T Kentucky and Verizon would withdraw their motions to

strike, without prejudice; and CompSouth would confer separately with AT&T Kentucky and Verizon regarding CompSouth's discovery issues with the intention of resolving or reducing the discovery disputes. CompSouth stated that if discovery issues remain, it would file a motion to compel and, once the Commission ruled upon such motion, would seek to reach agreement with the other Parties to submit a revised procedural schedule. The Parties also stated that if they reached an agreement on the discovery issues, they would submit a revised procedural schedule for the Commission's approval. It appears from the record that CompSouth has reached an agreement with both AT&T Kentucky and Verizon, and that the Parties have resolved the discovery issues. The Parties, however, have not filed a proposed procedural schedule.

CompSouth's filing of the motion to compel caused the Parties to miss two procedural steps—the filing of rebuttal testimony and the filing of initial briefs. These filings are necessary to have in the record prior to the public hearing currently scheduled for January 31, 2017. Therefore, we find that the Joint Motion should be granted, the current procedural schedule suspended, and the parties should follow the revised procedural schedule attached as an Appendix to this Order.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 1. The Joint Motion is granted;
- CompSouth's motion to compel and AT&T Kentucky's and Verizon's respective motions to strike may be withdrawn without prejudice;
- 3. The procedural schedule established in the August 9, 2016 Order is suspended;

4. The public hearing scheduled on January 31, 2017, is continued generally.

5. The procedural schedule set forth in the Appendix to this Order shall be

followed.

6.

a. Any party filing testimony shall comply with the electronic filing

procedures set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8, and shall file with the Commission an

original and six copies in paper medium and an electronic copy.

b. Any party filing a paper containing personal information shall, in

accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that

personal information cannot be read.

7. Motions for extensions of time with respect to the schedule herein shall be

made in writing and will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.

8. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Commission from entering

further Orders in this matter.

By the Commission

ENTERED

JAN 25 2017

KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

ATTEST:

Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2015-00283 DATED JAN 2 5 2017

Rebuttal testimony, if any,	
in verified prepared form shall be filed no later than	2/17/2017
Initial round of briefs, filed simultaneously	3/10/2017
Public HearingTo be	scheduled

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