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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Mr. Thomas M. Dorman Executive Director Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard P.O. Box 615 Frankfort, KY 40602

> RE: An Inquiry Into the Development of Deaveraged Rates for Unbundled Network Elements, Administrative Case No. 382

Dear Mr. Dorman:

Enclosed for filing please find an original and eleven (11) copies of the Request for Extension of Time by Kentucky ALLTEL, Inc. Please return a datestamped copy to me in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

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Legal Secretary to James H. Newberry, Jr.

Enclosure

Request (original and 11 copies) SASE

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In the Matter of:

AN INQUIRY INTO THE DEVELOPMENT) OF DEAVERAGED RATES FOR UNBUNDLED) NETWORK ELEMENTS)

ADMINISTRATIVE CASE NO. 382

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME BY KENTUCKY ALLTEL, INC.

COMES NOW, Kentucky ALLTEL, Inc. ("Kentucky ALLTEL") requesting that the response deadline for submission of the proposed Unbundled Network Element rates with supporting documentation be extended for a period of 60 days until February 5, 2004. This request for extension is necessitated by the volume of requests for information in the numerous proceedings currently pending before the Public Service Commission and the actual time required to develop the requested data. Promptly upon receipt of the Commission's Order dated November 7, 2003, ALLTEL initiated the work in this matter and that work is in progress. However, in spite of the Company's best efforts, that work will not be completed in accordance with the deadline established in the above-referenced Order.

The cost study which Kentucky ALLTEL must prepare in order to provide the UNE rates will take approximately nine (9) weeks to prepare. Switching Cost development for the approximately 100 Kentucky ALLTEL exchanges will require, at a minimum, 35 days. This includes developing line and trunk data and forecasts for each exchange, inputting those results into the switching model, pricing out each switch and finally reviewing the outputs and incorporating those results into the UNE/TELRIC database. The Loop Cost component is anticipated to require another 45 days to develop.

This schedule reflects the time required to download loop facilities and existing cable route data into the loop model. Additionally, significant time is required to re-size parallel cables, summarize for processing, identify and itemize interexchange cable facilities by route, convert feeder cable to fiber and re-price the rebuilt network at current prices. This schedule also considers review times, allowance for re-runs, time required to input loop material costs and programming into the UNE/TELRIC database. Adequate time must be allowed to incorporate company specific financial data, process the avoided cost and collocation models, develop and input the allocation factors and develop the UNE rates. Sufficient time for result analysis, review of the UNE rates and for making any required corrections must also be considered. Further, this process does not reflect the numerous discovery requests associated with the Commission's 90-Day Triennial Review Order ("TRO") Proceeding to which ALLTEL was obligated to comply as well as the 9-Month TRO Proceeding and the South East Telephone v. Kentucky ALLTEL, Inc. arbitration. Kentucky ALLTEL personnel with the knowledge necessary to perform the cost study are those also responsible for the multiple TRO proceedings currently underway in other states served by ALLTEL affiliates.

This extension will not unfairly delay this proceeding and is necessary to produce an accurate result.

WHEREFORE, Kentucky ALLTEL prays that the Commission grant its Request for an Extension of Time and all other necessary and proper relief to which Kentucky ALLTEL may be entitled. Dated this 1st day of December, 2003.

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Respectfully submitted,

KENTUCKY ALLTEL, INC.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing was served upon the individuals listed on the attached service list via regular U.S. mail postage prepaid this 1st day of December, 2003.

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