

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE SALE AND DETARIFFING OF )  
EMBEDDED CUSTOMER PREMISE ) ADMINISTRATIVE  
EQUIPMENT; PHASE 4 ) CASE NO. 269

O R D E R

On January 14, 1987, the Commission issued an Order in this case which detariffed "911" emergency service CPE no later than December 31, 1987. In the Order the Commission excluded from detariffing the "LEC outside plant, central office functions and equipment and other facilities used to provide "911" emergency services.

There are generally two types of "911" emergency services offered. The first type is commonly referred to "Basic 911". This basic service provides a voice connection of a "911" call to a single central location and generally requires only a multiline station to access the incoming lines.

The second type of service is generally referred to as "E911" or enhanced emergency service. Enhanced emergency service is substantially different than the basic service in that it is a premises-based, stand alone service requiring substantially more sophisticated equipment which acts as a miniature central office.

The original Order did not specifically address the additional equipment required for "E911" emergency service.

It is because of this, that South Central Bell Telephone ("South Central") submitted a motion for clarification of the January 14, 1987, Order and that the requirement to file tariffs by December 31, 1987, be suspended pending review of its motion.

On December 16, 1987, Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company filed a response to South Central's original motion setting forth its opposition to South Central's proposal that enhanced emergency equipment remain subject to tariff provisions.

#### FINDINGS AND ORDERS

The Commission, having considered the evidence of record and being advised, is of the opinion that:

1. Adoption of the demarcation line between tariffed and detariffed 911 services may result in an undue hardship to Cincinnati Bell.

2. There is a need to clarify the Commission's Order of January 14, 1987, relative to the need to differentiate between Basic 911 and Enhanced 911 services for tariff purposes.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The requirement that South Central file tariffs by December 31, 1987, be suspended until the Commission addresses the issue of differentiating between Basic 911 and Enhanced 911 services for tariff purposes.

2. If the Commission finds that further proceedings are required to resolve the need to distinguish between Basic 911 and Enhanced 911 services for tariff purposes, they will be convened.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 30th day of December, 1987.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

  
for the Commission

ATTEST:

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Executive Director