

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

AT&T TARIFF FILING PROPOSING)
AT&T 800 READYLINE) CASE NO. 10106

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BACKGROUND

On November 13, 1987, AT&T Communications of the South Central States, Inc., ("AT&T") filed a tariff application with the Commission proposing a new service known as AT&T 800 Readyline. The proposed service is a custom switched service which permits inward 800 number calling from stations located in the state to a station associated with a customer's local exchange telephone number.

DISCUSSION

After review of the record in this case the filing presents questions concerning the capability of completing intraLATA calls, which AT&T has not been authorized to provide. In addition the filing did not offer any plan which the inter-exchange carrier would compensate local exchange carriers for unauthorized calls completed.

The Commission is of the opinion that the issues presented by this tariff application will need a thorough investigation and can be adequately addressed only in the context of a generic proceeding, which is to be established in January, 1988.

The Commission is very concerned that a proper and workable compensation scheme be established that will apply to this service and to similar services rather than addressing these issues on a piecemeal basis. Thus, a compensation formula for intraLATA call completion through AT&T 800 Readyline will be determined in the generic proceeding.

Insofar that it is not the Commission's intentions to place AT&T at a competitive disadvantage the Commission finds that approval of AT&T 800 Readyline is in the best interest of the public on the express condition that AT&T follows the stipulations described in this Order.

FINDINGS AND ORDERS

The Commission after being advised is of the opinion and finds that:

1. The Commission will establish a generic docket in January, 1988 as stated in an Order dated November 13, 1987, in Case Nos. 9874, 9902, and 9928,¹ to address compensation for intraLATA call completion by non-local exchange carriers.

2. No hearing should be necessary in the instant case because the issue of compensation for unauthorized intraLATA call completion will be addressed in the generic proceeding.

¹ AT&T Tariff Filing Proposing Megacom/Megacom 800 Service

U.S. Sprint's Tariff Filing Proposing To Rename Its WATS Products, Change Billing Calculations Methods for WATS, Introduce Ultra wats, travelcard, direct 800 and ultra 800.

MCI's Tariff Filings to Establish Prism Plus, Prism I, and Prism II Services.

3. The record in the instant case should be incorporated into the generic proceeding.

4. The Commission should grant approval of the tariff for AT&T 800 Readyline.

5. AT&T should implement procedures to measure and report interstate and intrastate jurisdictional usage and interLATA and intraLATA usage and should file the reports with the Commission. The first report should be for the period from approval of the tariff to December 31, 1987, thereafter the report should be filed on a quarterly basis. The reports should be incorporated into the generic docket. AT&T should file its implementation procedures for the determination of such usage by December 21, 1987.

6. AT&T should inform prospective customers that the use of AT&T 800 Readyline to complete intraLATA calls is not authorized by this Commission.

7. AT&T should be ordered to compensate local exchange carriers for unauthorized intraLATA call completion from the date of this Order based on schemes developed in the generic proceeding to be opened January, 1988.

Each of these findings is HEREBY ORDERED.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 14th day of December, 1987.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Richard D. Hemmelf
Chairman

Robert M. Davis
Vice Chairman

James W. Williams
Commissioner

ATTEST:

Executive Director