COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

SEPARATION OF COST OF REGULATED) ADMINISTRATIVE TELEPHONE SERVICE FROM COSTS OF) CASE NO. 321 NONREGULATED ACTIVITIES)

ORDER

On January 21, 1988, ConTel of Kentucky, Inc. ("ConTel"), filed a Motion for Extension of Time to respond to questions set forth in the Commission's December 29, 1987, Order. ConTel requested an extension of 45 days.

On January 22, 1988, the Independent Telephone Group filed a Motion for Extension of Time to respond to the Commission's December 29, 1987, Order. The group requested 45 additional days. The Independent Telephone Group also requested the establishment of a task force, comprised of Commission Staff and certain representatives of the Independent Telephone Group, to address an allocation plan which all average schedule companies could implement.

Ballard Rural Telephone Coop., Brandenburg Telephone Company, Duo County Telephone Coop., Foothills Rural Telephone Coop., Harold Telephone Company, Highland Telephone Coop., Leslie County Telephone Company, Lewisport Telephone Company, Logan Telephone Coop., Mt. Rural Telephone Coop., North Central Telephone Coop., Peoples Rural Telephone Coop., Salem Telephone Company, South Central Rural Telephone Coop., Thacker & Grigsby Telephone Company, West Kentucky Rural Telephone Coop.

On January 25, 1988, General Telephone Company of the South filed a Motion for Extension of Time to respond to the December 29, 1987, Order.

Also on January 25, 1988, AT&T Communications of the South Central States, Inc. filed a Motion for Extension of Time of 45 days through March 17, 1988, in which to respond to the Commission's Order.

On January 29, 1988, ALLTEL Kentucky, Inc., filed a Motion for Extension of Time to respond to the Commission's Order.

The telephone companies cited the complexity of the information and the volume of information as reasons for the need of an extension.

The Commission having been advised, is of the opinion that such motions should be granted. Therefore, all parties have until March 17, 1988, in which to file responses to the Commission's December 29, 1987, Order.

The Commission is of the opinion that establishing a task force for the Independent Telephone average schedule companies is premature and defers response to this request pending review of the companies' response to the December 29, 1987, Order.

BE IT SO ORDERED.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 29th day of January, 1988.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

For the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director