

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY CELLULAR, INC.)
FOR ISSUANCE OF A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC)
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO PROVIDE)
DOMESTIC PUBLIC CELLULAR RADIO TELE-) CASE NO. 10286
COMMUNICATIONS SERVICE TO THE PUBLIC IN)
THE OWENSBORO, KENTUCKY, METROPOLITAN)
STATISTICAL AREA, AND FOR ESTABLISHMENT)
OF INITIAL RATES)

O R D E R

On June 9, 1988, Kentucky Cellular, Inc. ("Kentucky Cellular") filed an application with this Commission seeking a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct and operate a new domestic public cellular radio telecommunications facility to serve the Owensboro, Kentucky, metropolitan statistical area ("Owensboro MSA"). Confidential treatment of Exhibit P was requested pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7.

Kentucky Cellular received a permit from the Federal Communications Commission to construct and operate the non-wireline cellular system for the Owensboro MSA. On April 7, 1988, the Owensboro Planning Commission Board of Adjustment issued a certificate of conditional use permit for the construction of the cell site located at 320 Rudy Road.

The proposed initial system will include one cell site and a

mobile telephone switching office ("MTSO"). The MTSO is located in Evansville, Indiana, and currently serves the Evansville non-wireline cellular system of Evansville CellTelco.¹ Kentucky Cellular and Evansville CellTelco will coordinate their service so that the facilities of both systems will be available to each of their customers.

By this Order, we accept the tariff of Kentucky Cellular, and thereby grant it the authority to operate within Kentucky. The Commission is persuaded, based upon evidence contained within the record of this case, that Kentucky Cellular has the financial, technical, and managerial abilities to provide reasonable service within Kentucky.

FINDINGS AND ORDERS

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

1. Kentucky Cellular should be granted authority to provide cellular radio telecommunications service within the Owensboro MSA.
2. Kentucky Cellular has the financial, technical, and managerial abilities to provide reasonable service.
3. Kentucky Cellular's proposed rates and tariff are reasonable and should be approved.

¹ Evansville CellTelco was granted a certificate to provide cellular radio telecommunications service within the Kentucky portion of the Evansville MSA by this Commission on June 16, 1988.

4. Kentucky Cellular's petition for confidential treatment of Exhibit P should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Kentucky Cellular be, and hereby is, granted authority to provide cellular radio telecommunications service within the Owensboro MSA.

2. Kentucky Cellular's proposed rates and tariff are hereby accepted.

3. Within 30 days of the date of this Order, Kentucky Cellular shall file its tariff.

4. Kentucky Cellular's petition for confidential treatment of Exhibit P shall be granted.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 31st day of August, 1988.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Chairman


Vice Chairman


Commissioner

ATTEST:

Executive Director