

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

CONTRACT ARRANGEMENT FOR THE)	
UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE)	CASE NO.
FILED WITH THE COMMISSION ON)	89-196
MAY 30, 1989)	

O R D E R

This matter arising upon petition of South Central Bell Telephone Company ("South Central Bell") filed May 30, 1989, and supplemented on July 31, 1989, pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7, for confidential protection of certain cost support data filed with this Commission, and it appearing to this Commission as follows:

South Central Bell seeks to protect as confidential cost support data developed in connection with a Special Service Arrangement Contract with the University of Louisville for an ESSX feature. This feature involves activation of an account key feature which allows the attendant to press the account key after receiving an 800 call, dial a 4 or 5 digit account code, thus creating a station message detail record of the incoming call. In acquiring the contract, South Central Bell actively competed with AT&T Communications of the South Central States, Inc., which offered the university a similar service. As grounds for its petition to protect the information as confidential, South Central

Bell contends that public disclosure of the information will cause it competitive injury.

The information sought to be protected is not known outside of South Central Bell, is not disseminated within South Central Bell except to those employees who have a legitimate business need to know and act upon the information, and South Central Bell seeks to preserve the confidentiality of this information through all appropriate means including maintenance of appropriate security at its offices. Disclosure of the cost support data would provide South Central Bell's competitors with South Central Bell's capital and operating cost, as well as its contribution for the service, and enable them to more effectively compete against South Central Bell. The benefits of maintaining the confidentiality of this information outweigh the public's interest in its disclosure, and the information should be treated as confidential.

This Commission being otherwise sufficiently advised,


IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The cost support data developed by South Central Bell in connection with a Special Service Arrangement Contract with the University of Louisville, which South Central Bell has petitioned be withheld from public disclosure, shall be held and retained by this Commission as confidential and shall not be opened for public inspection.

2. South Central Bell shall, within ten days of this Order, file an edited copy of the contract with the confidential material obscured for inclusion in the public record, with copies to all parties of record.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 24th day of August, 1989.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Chairman


Vice Chairman


Commissioner

ATTEST:

Executive Director