

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ESTABLISHMENT OF DUAL PARTY RELAY)	
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES FOR)	ADMINISTRATIVE
HEARING-IMPAIRED OR SPEECH-IMPAIRED)	CASE NO. 333
PERSONS IN KENTUCKY)	

O R D E R

On August 22, 1990, the Commission entered an Order which included a draft Request for Proposals ("RFP") for the provision of Dual Party Relay Service ("DPRS") for hearing-impaired and speech-impaired persons in Kentucky. All parties wishing to comment or offer suggestions as to the content of the draft RFP were requested to file their comments with the Commission.

Having reviewed the comments and suggestions filed by the parties and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission has determined that a hearing should be held to allow the presentation of additional information and cross-examination of the parties regarding their comments and proposals for modification of the draft RFP. Based on its review of the record before it, the Commission finds:

1. House Bill 20 states: "The service. . . does not include the furnishing of TDDs or other telecommunications devices to users of the system." Section 2.10(C) of the draft RFP allows the provider to propose a TDD program for leased TDD or other adaptive equipment if it chooses; however, provision of TDDs or

other telecommunications devices to users is beyond the scope of the legislation and, therefore, beyond the scope of this proceeding.

2. An advisory committee should be appointed to monitor DPRS after implementation and provide reports to the Commission. Parties are encouraged to provide testimony concerning the advisory committee such as the appropriate number of members, how and by whom members should be selected, and the term(s) such members should serve.

3. Comments and proposals previously filed in this proceeding should and shall be incorporated by reference in the record and considered the same as if offered as direct testimony at the hearing and should be subject to cross-examination questions. Supplemental testimony may be presented as direct testimony at the hearing. Agencies, organizations, and special groups who are parties are encouraged to select a representative to present testimony and question witnesses on behalf of the agency, organization, or group. The parties should file a list, with copies to all parties of record, of witnesses who will testify at the hearing and the subject matter about which each witness will testify.

4. A procedural schedule should be established for future actions in this case.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Hearings are scheduled for December 3 and December 4, 1990, at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Standard Time, in Hearing Room 1 of

the Commission's offices at 730 Schenkel Lane, Frankfort, Kentucky.

2. Comments and proposals previously filed in this proceeding are incorporated into the record and shall be considered the same as if offered as direct testimony at the hearing and shall be subject to cross-examination.

3. Within 15 days of the date of this Order, the parties shall file a list, with copies to all parties of record, of witnesses who will testify and the area about which each witness will testify.

4. The provision of TDDs or other telecommunications devices to users shall not be considered as a part of this proceeding.

5. An advisory committee shall be appointed to monitor DPRS after implementation, and testimony presented in accordance with Finding 2 shall be considered.

6. The following procedural schedule is hereby established:

Issuance of Final RFP	January 15, 1991
Receipt of Bids	February 15, 1991
Selection of Vendor	April 1, 1991

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 12th day of November, 1990.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


For the Commission

ATTEST:


Executive Director