

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 April 15, 1991, the Commission issued an Order awarding AT&T Communications of the South Central States, Inc. ("AT&T") a contract for the provision of Dual Party Relay Service ("DPRS") for Kentucky and providing for the funding of DPRS through a monthly surcharge on each access line to be collected by the local exchange companies ("LECs"). Since issuance of the Order, the Commission has received letters and motions from Duo County Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc., South Central Bell Telephone Company, Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company, GTE South Incorporated, Kentucky Commission on the Deaf and Hearing Impaired, and American Red Cross, Bluegrass Area Chapter, identifying implementation and service issues not previously addressed.

The Commission, having reviewed the letters and motions and being otherwise sufficiently advised, HEREBY ORDERS:

1. The 10-cent surcharge shall be assessed on all access lines to which the Federal End User Access Line Charge applies.
2. Within 30 days of the date of this Order, LECs shall file tariffs reflecting the 10-cent surcharge, including a

detailed description of "access line" for purposes of the surcharge.

3. LECs who are unable to utilize the entire phrase "Kentucky Dual Party Relay Service Surcharge" as a one-line item on customers' bills may abbreviate the item as follows: "Ky. Dual Party Relay Serv." or in any other substantially similar manner. The tariff to be filed within 30 days of the date of this Order shall reflect the phrase to be used by each LEC on customers' bills.

4. Ordering Paragraph 7 of the April 15, 1991 Order in this proceeding shall be modified as follows:

Beginning with the quarter ending September 30, 1991, the local exchange carriers shall file quarterly reports with the Commission showing the amounts collected and deposited from the surcharge. The reports shall be filed within 45 days after the end of the quarter.


5. LECs may submit invoices to AT&T to receive payment from AT&T for any non-recurring cost incurred as a result of modifications necessary to add the Kentucky DPRS surcharge line item to customers' bills. This cost shall be recovered by AT&T from the DPRS Fund in the same manner as other DPRS expenses. Reimbursement of any other costs, if any, incurred by a LEC as a result of collecting the surcharge may be recovered through rate applications.

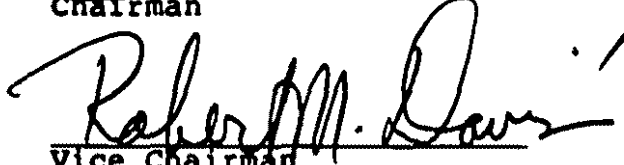
6. The taxability of the surcharge is beyond the jurisdiction of this Commission. The LECs shall, therefore, be responsible for obtaining this information from the appropriate tax agencies.

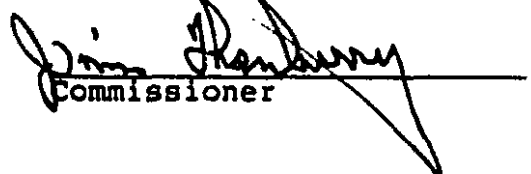
7. In accordance with KRS 278.548, DPRS shall be available statewide for all relay center calls originating and terminating within the Commonwealth of Kentucky, but shall not include interstate calls at this time.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 27th day of June, 1991.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

  
Chairman

  
Vice Chairman

  
Commissioner

ATTEST:

  
Executive Director