## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

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THE TARIFF FILING OF SOUTH CENTRAL BELL ) TELEPHONE COMPANY TO INTRODUCE AN ) ADDITIONAL CHARGE ASSOCIATED WITH ) CERTAIN CALLS MADE FROM BELLSOUTH ) CASE NO. 95-015 TELECOMMUNICATIONS PUBLIC AND SEMI- ) PUBLIC CALLING STATIONS )

## ORDER

On December 15, 1994, South Central Bell Telephone Company ("South Central Bell") filed a tariff introducing a \$.25 Set Use Fee for "0+" and "0-" operator assistance calls, local and intraLATA long-distance messages which are completed and for which South Central Bell processes the billing. The tariff was suspended on January 17, 1995 to afford the Commission an opportunity to review the proposal.

The Set Use Fee is an additional charge of \$.25 specifically for using a public or semipublic set to complete a call originating from South Central Bell coin telephones. The rate is based on the \$.25 charge for a local call placed from a pay telephone and represents the value of the accessibility of the pay telephone to the end-user. This fee is not a separate amount to be deposited to use the coin telephone but will appear as a component of total charges for 0+ and 0- local and intraLATA long-distance calls.

Upon further review, the Commission finds the proposed tariff reasonable and that it should be approved. South Central Bell, as part of its proposal, stated that the additional revenue generated by this proposal would be offset by a reduction in toll and access The Commission finds this revenue neutral approach charges. reasonable and will require South Central Bell to file tariff revisions reducing toll and access charges by \$724,000 annually.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

South Central Bell's Set Use Fee be and hereby is 1. approved.

Within 30 days from the date of this Order, South Central 2. Bell shall file tariff sheets reflecting the Set Use Fee and reductions to its toll and access charges in the amount of \$724,000.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 16th day of June, 1995.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Vice Chairman

ATTEST :

Executive Director