

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF PREFERRED CARRIER )  
SERVICES, INC. FOR PERMISSION, )  
APPROVAL, AND A CERTIFICATE OF ) CASE NO. 95-555  
AUTHORITY TO TRANSACT THE BUSINESS )  
OF A RESELLER OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS )  
SERVICES WITHIN THE STATE OF KENTUCKY )

O R D E R

On December 11, 1995, Preferred Carrier Services, Inc. ("Preferred Carrier") filed an application with the Commission seeking a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to resell intrastate interexchange long-distance telecommunications services within the Commonwealth of Kentucky. On February 20, 1996, Preferred Carrier filed its response to the Commission's February 1, 1996 Order requesting additional information.

Preferred Carrier is a Texas corporation with its principal office in the state of Texas and intends to resell tariffed services of facilities-based carriers certified by this Commission.

Preferred Carrier does not own or operate, nor does it intend to construct, any telecommunications transmission facilities within the Commonwealth of Kentucky. All intrastate telecommunications transmission services will be provided by an underlying carrier certified by this Commission.

The application provided by Preferred Carrier demonstrates its financial, managerial, and technical capability to provide utility service. The Commission finds that Preferred Carrier should be

authorized to resell intrastate interexchange long-distance telecommunications services within the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Preferred Carrier filed its proposed tariff on December 11, 1995. In response to the Commission's request for additional information, Preferred Carrier filed revised tariff sheets on February 20, 1996. The Commission finds that the rates proposed by Preferred Carrier, as revised on February 20, 1996, should be approved as the fair, just, and reasonable rates to be charged.

In Administrative Case No. 306,<sup>1</sup> the Commission stated the importance of eliminating possible customer confusion arising from the name of the billing service, rather than the name of the provider of telecommunications services, appearing on the bill. Accordingly, Preferred Carrier should ensure that its name appears prominently on all bills issued to customers for services rendered.

The Commission, having considered the evidence of record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, HEREBY ORDERS that:

1. Preferred Carrier be and it hereby is granted authority to resell intrastate interexchange long-distance telecommunications services within the Commonwealth of Kentucky on and after the date of this Order.

2. Preferred Carrier shall ensure that its name appears prominently on all bills issued to customers for services rendered.

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<sup>1</sup> Administrative Case No. 306, Detariffing Billing and Collection Services, Order Dated April 30, 1990.

3. Preferred Carrier's authority to provide service is strictly limited to those services described in this Order and Preferred Carrier's application.


4. IntraLATA services shall be provided in accordance with the restrictions and conditions of service contained in Administrative Case No. 323.<sup>2</sup>


5. The rates proposed by Preferred Carrier on December 11, 1995, as revised on February 20, 1996, are hereby approved.

6. Within 30 days from the date of this Order, Preferred Carrier shall file, pursuant to 807 KAR 5:011, its December 11, 1995 tariff sheets, as revised on February 20, 1996, without modifications.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 3rd day of April, 1996.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

  
Chairman

  
Vice Chairman

  
Commissioner

ATTEST:

  
Executive Director

<sup>2</sup> Administrative Case No. 323, An Inquiry Into IntraLATA Toll Competition, An Appropriate Compensation Scheme for Completion of IntraLATA Calls by Interexchange Carriers, and WATS Jurisdictionality.