COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY CGSA, INC. FOR)
ISSUANCE OF A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC)
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO CONSTRUCT)
AN ADDITIONAL CELL SITE IN LOUISVILLE,)
KENTUCKY FOR THE PROVISION OF DOMESTIC) CASE NO. 96-178
PUBLIC CELLULAR RADIO)
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE TO THE)
PUBLIC IN JEFFERSON COUNTY, KENTUCKY AND)
THE LOUISVILLE MSA)

ORDER

On April 26, 1996, Kentucky CGSA, Inc. d/b/a BellSouth Mobility, Inc. ("Kentucky CGSA") filed an application seeking a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct and operate a cellular radio telecommunications antenna tower in the Louisville Metropolitan Statistical Area ("the Louisville MSA"). The proposed cell site consists of a monopole antenna tower not to exceed 156 feet in height, with attached antennas, to be located at 1736 and 1738 Berry Boulevard, Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky. The coordinates for the proposed cell site are North Latitude 38° 11′ 46.03" by West Longitude 85° 47′ 43.65".

Kentucky CGSA has provided information regarding the structure of the tower, safety measures, and antenna design criteria for the proposed cell site. Based upon the application, the design of the tower and foundation conforms to applicable nationally

recognized building standards, and the plans have been certified by a Registered Professional Engineer.

Pursuant to KRS 100.324(1), the proposed cell site's construction is exempt from local zoning ordinances. However, Kentucky CGSA has notified the Louisville and Jefferson County Planning Commission of the proposed construction. Kentucky CGSA has filed applications with the Federal Aviation Administration ("FAA") and the Kentucky Airport Zoning Commission ("KAZC") seeking approval for the construction and operation of the proposed cell site. Both applications have been approved.

Kentucky CGSA has filed notices verifying that each person who owns property or resides within 500 feet of the proposed cell site has been notified of the pending construction. The notice solicited any comments and informed the property owners and residents of their right to intervene. In addition, Kentucky CGSA has posted notice of the proposed construction in a visible location for at least two weeks after filing its application. The Commission received two letters from nearby property owners commenting on the proposed construction. As Ordered, Kentucky CGSA responded to the property owners' concerns and by separate letter the Commission notified both of their right to intervene if Kentucky CGSA's response did not satisfy their concerns. One property owner withdrew her objection. To date, no further comments have been filed with the Commission.

Pursuant to KRS 278.280, the Commission is required to determine proper practices to be observed when it finds, upon complaint or on its own motion, that the facilities of any utility subject to its jurisdiction are unreasonable, unsafe, improper, or insufficient. To assist the Commission in its efforts to comply with this mandate, Kentucky CGSA should notify the Commission if it does not use this antenna tower to provide cellular radio

telecommunications services in the manner set out in its application and this Order. Upon receipt of such notice, the Commission may, on its own motion, institute proceedings to consider the proper practices, including removal of the unused antenna tower, which should be observed by Kentucky CGSA.

The Commission, having considered the evidence of record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, finds that Kentucky CGSA should be granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct and operate the proposed cell site in the Louisville MSA under its currently approved tariff.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. Kentucky CGSA is granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct and operate a monopole antenna tower not to exceed 156 feet in height, with attached antennas, to be located at 1736 and 1738 Berry Boulevard, Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky. The coordinates for the proposed cell site are North Latitude 38° 11' 46.03" by West Longitude 85° 47' 43.65".
- 2. Kentucky CGSA shall immediately notify the Commission in writing, if, after the antenna tower is built and utility service is commenced, the tower is not used for a period of 3 months in the manner authorized by this Order.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 10th day of July, 1996.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Vice Chairman

Commissioner

ATTEST:

Executive Director