

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

AN INQUIRY INTO UNIVERSAL SERVICE) ADMINISTRATIVE
AND FUNDING ISSUES) CASE NO. 360

O R D E R

Due to the extension of time granted by the Federal Communications Commission for the submission of cost studies,¹ the Commission postpones the December 10, 1997 hearing and delays the date upon which briefs regarding most matters in this proceeding should be filed. A reasonable procedural schedule should be adopted.

The Commission, having been otherwise sufficiently advised, HEREBY ORDERS that:

1. There shall be a hearing beginning March 3, 1998 at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Standard Time, in Hearing Room 1 of the Commission's offices at 730 Schenkel Lane, Frankfort, Kentucky, to address late-filed material from the November 10, 1997 Hearing, the Hatfield 5.0 cost model and the Benchmark Cost Pricing Model 3.0 ("BCPM 3.0").
2. Data requests concerning Hatfield 5.0 and BCPM 3.0 are due no later than January 9, 1998.
3. Responses to data requests are due no later than January 23, 1998.

¹ Federal State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45; Forward-Looking Mechanism for High Cost Support for Non-Rural LECs, CC Docket No. 97-160 at 2. (December 3, 1997)

4. Prefiled direct testimony of all witnesses is due no later than February 18, 1998.

5. Rebuttal testimony, if any, is due no later than February 26, 1998.

6. Briefs, if any, regarding all matters pending in this proceeding except those delineated below, shall be filed no later than March 27, 1998.

7. Briefs, if any, regarding the selection of the Universal Service Fund administrator, additional low-income support, additional support for schools and libraries, support for telemedicine and funding for public interest payphones, shall be due no later than December 22, 1997.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 9th day of December, 1997.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



For the Commission

ATTEST:



Executive Director