

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF HARDIN COUNTY WATER )  
DISTRICT NO. 1 FOR A CERTIFICATE OF ) CASE NO.  
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO EXPAND AN ) 97-440  
EXISTING HIGH PRESSURE ZONE TO BENEFIT )  
UP TO 300 CUSTOMERS )

O R D E R

Hardin County Water District No.1 ("Hardin No. 1") has applied for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct a \$86,159 waterworks improvement project.

Having reviewed the application and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds:

1. The proposed construction consists of approximately 2,900 linear feet of 6-inch C-900 DR-18 PVC water line extensions and related appurtenances.
2. The proposed water line extensions will permit Hardin No. 1 to provide better pressure to 130 existing households in the Whispering Hills Subdivision.
3. The proposed improvements will not compete with any other water utility.
4. Construction of the proposed improvements will not result in the wasteful duplication of existing utility facilities.
5. Quest Engineers, Inc. of Louisville, Kentucky, prepared the drawings and specifications for the proposed waterworks improvement project.

6. The Division of Water of the Kentucky Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet has approved the drawings and specifications for the proposed waterworks improvement project.

7. After allowances for fees, contingencies, and other indirect costs, estimated total cost of the proposed waterworks improvement project is \$86,159.

8. Hardin No. 1 proposes to finance the proposed waterworks project from its unrestricted cash reserve.

9. As none of the funding for the proposed waterworks improvement project involves the issuance of securities or evidences of indebtedness which are payable at periods exceeding two years, Commission approval of Hardin No. 1's plan of financing is not required. KRS 278.300(8).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Hardin No. 1 is granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct the proposed waterworks improvement project as set forth in the drawings and specifications contained in its application.

2. Hardin No. 1 shall obtain approval from the Commission prior to performing any additional construction not expressly authorized by this Order.

3. Any deviation from the construction approved shall be undertaken only with the prior approval of the Commission.

4. Hardin No. 1 shall furnish documentation of the total costs of this project including the cost of construction and all other capitalized costs (engineering, legal, administrative, etc.) within 60 days of the date that construction is substantially completed.

Construction costs shall be classified into appropriate plant accounts in accordance with the Uniform System of Accounts for water utilities prescribed by the Commission.

5. Hardin No. 1 shall require construction to be inspected under the general supervision of a professional engineer with a Kentucky registration in civil or mechanical engineering, to ensure that the construction work is done in accordance with the contract drawings and specifications and in conformance with the best practices of the construction trades involved in the project.

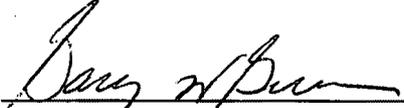
6. Hardin No. 1 shall file a copy of the "as-built" drawings and a certified statement that the construction has been satisfactorily completed in accordance with the contract plans and specifications within 60 days of the substantial completion of the construction certificated herein.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 18th day of November, 1997.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

  
Chairman

  
Vice Chairman

  
Commissioner

ATTEST:

  
Executive Director

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
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In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF INTERLINK )  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR A )  
CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND )  
NECESSITY TO PROVIDE INTRASTATE LOCAL ) CASE NO. 97-332  
AND LONG DISTANCE RESALE OF )  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES AND )  
OPERATOR SERVICES IN THE COMMONWEALTH )  
OF KENTUCKY )

O R D E R

On August 7, 1997, Interlink Telecommunications, Inc. ("Interlink") filed an application with the Commission seeking a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide intrastate telecommunications services within the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Interlink is a Georgia corporation with its principal office in the state of Georgia.

Interlink seeks authority to provide local exchange and intrastate long-distance telecommunications services and operator-assisted services within the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Interlink plans to offer the proposed services by utilizing the facilities of other existing telecommunications providers pursuant to negotiated or tariffed arrangements. Interlink does not propose to construct any facilities within Kentucky.

On August 7, 1997, Interlink submitted its proposed tariff. However, the proposed tariff is undated and unsigned. It should be resubmitted in accordance with 807 KAR 5:011.

On August 7, 1997, Interlink filed a copy of its interconnection agreement with BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. Pursuant to Section 253 of the Telecommunications

Act of 1996, Interlink may not offer local exchange service until it completes negotiations with incumbent local exchange carriers and the resulting agreements have been submitted to and approved by the Commission. Operator-assisted services shall be provided in accordance with Administrative Case No. 330.<sup>1</sup>

The Commission has reviewed Interlink's agreement with BellSouth and finds that no portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement. The Commission also finds that the implementation of the agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.

Interlink has demonstrated its financial, managerial, and technical capability to provide utility service. The Commission finds that Interlink should be authorized to provide intrastate telecommunications services within the Commonwealth of Kentucky, as described in this Order and Interlink's application, upon approval of its tariff and interconnection agreements. In accordance with Administrative Case No. 355,<sup>2</sup> Interlink has established a bond to support its Universal Service Fund obligations.

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

1. Interlink is granted authority to provide intrastate telecommunications services within the Commonwealth of Kentucky upon approval of its tariff and interconnection agreements.

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<sup>1</sup> Administrative Case No. 330, Policy and Procedures in the Provision of Operator-Assisted Telecommunications Services, Order Dated March 27, 1991.

<sup>2</sup> Administrative Case No. 355, An Inquiry into Local Competition, Universal Service, and the Non-Traffic Sensitive Access Rate, Order dated September 26, 1996.

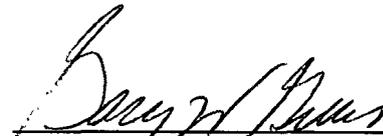
2. Interlink's negotiated agreement with BellSouth is approved.
3. Interlink shall comply with the monitoring requirements set forth in Administrative Case No. 355.
4. Within 30 days from the date of this Order, Interlink shall file its tariff pursuant to 807 KAR 5:011.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 18th day of November, 1997.

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