

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL AND SELECTION) ADMINISTRATIVE
OF A VENDOR FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS) CASE NO. 372
RELAY SERVICE)

ORDER

The Commission has awarded the contract to provide Telecommunications Relay Service ("TRS") to Hamilton Telecommunications ("Hamilton") in this case. The Commission's Orders in Administrative Case No. 333¹ and 357² have required local exchange carriers³ ("LECs") to report to the Commission the number of access lines, collections of the TRS surcharge and the Telecommunications Devices for the Deaf ("TDD") Distribution Program surcharge on a quarterly basis. The Commission will no longer require quarterly reporting. Instead, LECs should provide annual reporting of these items. LECs must include a monthly breakdown of the collections and the access line counts in the annual report. Each LEC must file two (2) copies of the report and cover letter in the format of Appendix 1. LECs will continue to be required to make monthly deposits to the TRS and TDD trust fund account with the

¹ Administrative Case No. 333, Establishment of Telecommunications Relay Service for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities in Kentucky.

² Administrative Case No. 357, Telecommunications Relay Services and The Funding Process for the Telecommunications Relay Service and The Telecommunications Devices for the Deaf Programs.

³ Local exchange carriers include all incumbent and competitive local exchange carriers.

following exception. If the monthly deposit would be less than \$200.00, then the LEC shall deposit the funds on a quarterly basis. If the deposit would be less than \$200.00 on a quarterly basis, then the deposit shall be made on a semi-annual basis.

The Commission has also determined that due to the increase of the cost of TRS, the monthly surcharge for each LEC customer access line shall be increased by one cent (\$0.01) to eight cents (\$0.08) per month. The surcharge for the TDD Distribution Program will remain at one cent (\$0.01). As in the past, these may be shown as a combined charge on a single line of the customer's bill as "TRS / TDD Surcharge." All LECs shall submit to the Commission updated tariffs to reflect this change no later than December 1, 1998, to be effective January 1, 1999.


IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

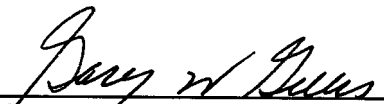
1. All LECs shall submit to the Commission two copies of a report as described herein and in Appendix 1 on an annual basis beginning February 15, 1999, for the preceding calendar year.
2. LECs shall make deposits to the trust fund as described herein.
3. The surcharge for TRS shall be increased by one cent (\$0.01) per month beginning with all bills for service rendered after January 1, 1999.
4. All LECs shall submit to the Commission tariffs to reflect this change by December 1, 1998, to be effective January 1, 1999.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 27th day of October, 1998.

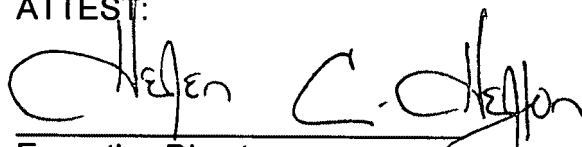
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


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Commissioner

ATTEST:


Executive Director

Sample Company

[Date]

Ms. Helen C. Helton
Executive Director
Kentucky Public Service Commission
730 Schenkel Lane
Frankfort, KY 40602

RE: Administrative Case No. 372

Dear Ms. Helton:

In compliance with the Commission's Orders in Administrative Case No. 372, attached is **Sample Company's** report of 1998, detailing the number of access lines, amount of surcharge collected, and the surcharge amount deposited for both the Telecommunications Relay Service ("TRS") and the Telecommunications Devices for the Deaf ("TDD") Distribution Program.

Please bring this matter to the attention of the Commission.

Sincerely,

Contact Person

Annual Surcharge Report for Sample Company

1st Quarter

	<u>January</u>	<u>February</u>	<u>March</u>	<u>Total</u>
Access Lines	20,000	20,200	20,300	n/a
TRS Surcharge Collected	\$1,600	\$1,616	\$1,624	\$4,840
TRS Surcharge Deposited	\$1,600	\$1,616	\$1,624	\$4,840
TDD Surcharge Collected	\$200	\$202	\$203	\$605
TDD Surcharge Deposited	\$200	\$202	\$203	\$605

2nd Quarter

	<u>April</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>Total</u>
Access Lines	20,000	20,200	20,300	n/a
TRS Surcharge Collected	\$1,600	\$1,616	\$1,624	\$4,840
TRS Surcharge Deposited	\$1,600	\$1,616	\$1,624	\$4,840
TDD Surcharge Collected	\$200	\$202	\$203	\$605
TDD Surcharge Deposited	\$200	\$202	\$203	\$605

3rd Quarter

	<u>July</u>	<u>August</u>	<u>September</u>	<u>Total</u>
Access Lines	20,000	20,200	20,300	n/a
TRS Surcharge Collected	\$1,600	\$1,616	\$1,624	\$4,840
TRS Surcharge Deposited	\$1,600	\$1,616	\$1,624	\$4,840
TDD Surcharge Collected	\$200	\$202	\$203	\$605
TDD Surcharge Deposited	\$200	\$202	\$203	\$605

4th Quarter

	<u>October</u>	<u>November</u>	<u>December</u>	<u>Total</u>
Access Lines	20,000	20,200	20,300	n/a
TRS Surcharge Collected	\$1,600	\$1,616	\$1,624	\$4,840
TRS Surcharge Deposited	\$1,600	\$1,616	\$1,624	\$4,840
TDD Surcharge Collected	\$200	\$202	\$203	\$605
TDD Surcharge Deposited	\$200	\$202	\$203	\$605