COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

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THE APPLICATION OF WIRELESSCO., L.P., BY AND THROUGH ITS AGENT AND GENERAL PARTNER SPRINT SPECTRUM, L.P., AND SBA TOWERS KENTUCKY, INC., JOINTLY, FOR ISSUANCE OF A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO CONSTRUCT A PERSONAL COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES FACILITY IN THE LEXINGTON MAJOR TRADING AREA (ALTON FACILITY)

CASE NO. 97-355

<u>ORDER</u>

On March 23, 1998, on the motions of WirelessCo, L.P. ("WirelessCo") and intervenors James A. Johnson and Rolf Hellinger, the Commission issued its Order rescheduling the hearing in this matter from April 16, 1998, to May 6, 1998.¹ In its Order, the Commission denied Mr. Johnson's and Mr. Hellinger's request that the hearing be continued indefinitely, stating that there would be ample opportunity at the hearing for the intervenors to question WirelessCo witnesses in regard to the intervenors' contention that preferable, alternative sites for the proposed facility are available.

Subsequently, Mr. Johnson and Mr. Hellinger filed an additional motion restating their objections and concerns and requesting that the hearing be postponed. They once again contend that no hearing should take place until WirelessCo has produced

The Commission did not receive the objection to the motions to continue the hearing, which was filed by Mr. Dennis Raleigh, an additional intervenor in this case, until after issuance of the Order granting the motions.

information regarding potential alternative sites suggested by Mr. Johnson and Mr. Hellinger. On April 13, 1998, WirelessCo filed a response to the intervenors' motion. As part of its response, WirelessCo explained its reasons for rejecting the potential alternatives suggested by Mr. Johnson and Mr. Hellinger, and requested that the motion be denied.

As stated in the March 23 Order, WirelessCo witnesses will be present at the hearing to respond to cross-examination in regard to the alternative sites suggested by the intervenors. In addition, the intervenors may present at the May 6 hearing their evidence on the suitability of the alternative sites they propose. It is therefore unnecessary to delay this matter further.

The Commission having been sufficiently advised, IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the motion of James Johnson and Rolf Hellinger to reschedule the hearing in this matter be, and it hereby is, denied.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 15th day of April, 1998.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Før the Commission

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