

Service Date: June 18, 1980

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER of the Application)
of MOUNTAIN STATES TELEPHONE and)
TELEGRAPH COMPANY, for APPROVAL)
of Tariffs to establish or re-)
duce rates for several services)
for disabled customers.)
_____)

UTILITY DIVISION
DOCKET NO. 80.5.13
DEFAULT ORDER NO.4661

On April 15, 1980, MOUNTAIN STATES TELEPHONE and TELEGRAPH COMPANY (Applicant) filed tariffs with the Montana Public Service Commission pursuant to jurisdiction granted by 69-1-103 et seq., MCA, requesting approval of revised tariffs. The proposed revisions introduced minor offerings to disabled users at rates equivalent to the costs of providing the services. Several existing services are offered at proposed reduced rates, also equal to the costs.

Having considered the application and the documentation furnished by Applicant in support of its application and deeming itself fully advised in the premises, the Commission makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. A Notice of Opportunity For Public Hearing to be held, if requested, was published as a legal notice in ten daily news papers. The Notice stated that if no requests for a public hearing were received by June 3, 1980, an appropriate order may be issued based upon evidence submitted with the application.

2. No requests for hearing were received and no hearing was scheduled.

3. The filing establishes rates and charges for several existing and new service offerings to disabled customers.

4. Cost support data were filed to show the development of the proposed rates and charges for the service items.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Commission has jurisdiction over parties and the subject matter in this proceeding.

2. The resulting rates levels are reasonable and just.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED by the Commission that the new and revised tariff sheets necessary to establish rates and charges for various service offerings to disabled customers are approved.

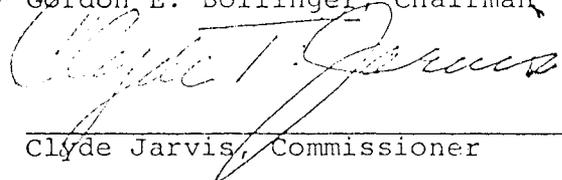
The revised tariffs will be effective for telephone service rendered on and after the service date of this Order.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION at Helena, Montana the 13th day of June, 1980
by a 3 - 0 vote.

BY ORDER OF THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.



Gordon E. Bollinger, Chairman

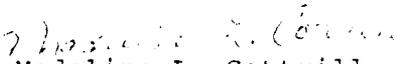


Clyde Jarvis, Commissioner



Thomas J. Schneider, Commissioner

ATTEST:


Madeline L. Cottrill
Secretary

(SEAL)

NOTE: You may be entitled to judicial review of the final decision in this matter. If no Motion for Reconsideration is filed, judicial review may be obtained by filing a petition for review within thirty (30) days from the service of this Order. If a Motion for Reconsideration is filed, a Commission order is final for purposes of appeal upon the entry of a ruling on that motion, or upon the passage of ten (10) days following the filing of that motion. cf. The Montana Administrative Procedure Act, esp. Sec. 2-4-702, MCA; and Commission Rules of Practice and Procedure, esp. 38-2.2(64)-P2750, ARM.