

P-415, 421/CP-92-1010 ORDER EXTENDING TIME FRAMES

BEFORE THE MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Don Storm	Chair
Tom Burton	Commissioner
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In the Matter of a Petition for  
Extended Area Service from  
Kimball to St. Cloud

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**PROCEDURAL HISTORY**

On August 19, 1992, subscribers in the Kimball exchange filed a petition for extended area service (EAS) to the St. Cloud exchange. Kimball is served by the Melrose Telephone Company; St. Cloud is served by U.S. WEST Communications, Inc. On May 28, 1993 the Commission issued an Order requiring the companies to file cost studies and proposed rates and requiring the Department of Public Service (the Department) to file a report and recommendation on the companies' filings. The Department's report was due September 27, 1993.

On September 27, 1993 the Department filed a request for an extension of time until October 27, 1993. The Department stated it had been unable to complete the report within the allotted time and was waiting for responses to information requests it had served on the companies.

No party opposed the Department's request, which came before the Commission on October 12, 1993.

**FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS**

The Commission finds that the Department's request is reasonable and should be granted. The reasons for requesting an extension are sound. No party opposes the request. Neither the public interest nor any party's interests will be prejudiced by the delay. The Commission will therefore grant the requested extension.

As before, other parties will have 20 days from the filing of the Department's report and recommendation to file comments on it.

**ORDER**

1. The Department is granted a time extension until October 27, 1993 to file its report and recommendation in this proceeding.
2. Comments on the Department's report and recommendation shall be filed within 20 days of its filing.
3. This Order shall become effective immediately.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Susan Mackenzie  
Acting Executive Secretary

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