

Decision No. C03-0394

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

DOCKET NO. 03M-132T

IN THE MATTER OF THE COLORADO HIGH COST SUPPORT MECHANISM
WORKSHEET.

**ORDER ALLOWING TELECOMMUNICATIONS
PROVIDERS TO FILE MOTIONS FOR EXTENSION OF
TIME TO FILE SEMI-ANNUAL COLORADO HIGH COST
SUPPORT MECHANIM WORKSHEETS**

Mailed Date: April 18, 2003
Adopted Date: April 16, 2003

I. BY THE COMMISSION

A. Discussion

1. Intrastate telecommunications service providers are required to submit a Colorado High Cost Support Mechanism (CHCSM) Worksheet Semi-Annually. By March 31 of each year, telecommunications providers must submit a CHCSM worksheet containing data for the previous calendar year. In the event that a provider's CHCSM contribution in any given year is calculated to be less than \$10,000, that provider may submit a Declaration of De minimus Form in lieu of the CHCSM Worksheet. *See 4 Code of Colorado Regulations (CCR) 723-41-7.2.1 and 4 CCR 723-41-7.2.1.2.*

2. The Commission has received requests for extension of time to file the Colorado High Cost Fund Worksheet from Touch America Colorado, LLC and ACC Telecommunications, LLC.

3. The Commission determines that for good cause shown, it may be necessary to provide some telecommunications providers additional time to file the required CHCSM worksheet. The Commission shall allow each provider to file a motion for extension of time if necessary. Each filed motion shall be referred to an Administrative Law Judge to determine the merits of the motion.

II. ORDER

A. The Commission Orders That:

1. A Docket shall be opened to allow affected telecommunications service providers to file for an extension of time, if necessary, to submit their Colorado High Cost Support Mechanism Worksheet.

2. The requests for extension of time by Touch America Colorado, LLC and ACC Telecommunications have been received and referred to an Administrative Law Judge for determination of the motion.

3. This Order is effective on its Mailed Date.

**B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING
April 16, 2003.**

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