Decision No. C03-0481

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

DOCKET NO. 02R-646T

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROPOSED RULES FOR SIMPLIFIED REGULATORY TREATMENT FOR RURAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS PROVIDERS.

> **COMMISSION ORDER STAYING** RECOMMENDED DECISION

> > Mailed Date: May 7, 2003

Adopted Date: May 7, 2003

I. **BY THE COMMISSION**

Statement

1. On April 18, 2003, an administrative law judge (ALJ) for the Commission issued

Decision No. R03-0402 recommending certain modifications to establish regulations by which

the Commission may regulate rural or local exchange providers of telecommunications services

subject to simplified regulatory treatment under § 40-15-203.5, C.R.S. Pursuant to

§ 40-6-109(2), C.R.S., Decision No. R03-0402 will become the decision of the Commission if no

exceptions are filed within 20 days after service of the ALJ's order. However, § 40-6-109(2),

C.R.S., permits the Commission to stay a recommended decision upon its own motion.

2. The Commission will stay Decision No. R03-0402 on its own motion to allow for

Commission review of the recommendations of the ALJ. At a future Commissioners' Meeting,

the Commission shall review the ALJ's recommendation along with any exceptions filed within

20 days after Decision No. R03-0402 was mailed.

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II. ORDER

A. The Commission Orders That:

- 1. In accordance with the provisions of § 40-6-109(2), C.R.S., Decision No. R03-0402, mailed April 18, 2003, is stayed.
 - 2. This Order is effective immediately upon its Mailed Date.
 - B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING May 7, 2003.

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ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

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CHAIRMAN GREGORY E. SOPKIN ABSENT.