

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

DOCKET NO. 03L-544T

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF STRASBURG TELEPHONE COMPANY,
INC. FOR APPROVAL OF ITS ADVICE LETTER NO. 79 ON LESS THAN STATUTORY
NOTICE.

**ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION
FOR SHORTENED NOTICE**

Mailed Date: January 2, 2004
Adopted Date: December 30, 2003

I. BY THE COMMISSION

A. Statement

1. On December 19, 2003, Strasburg Telephone Company, Inc. (Strasburg), filed an application for approval of its Advice Letter No. 79 and the accompanying tariff sheet on less-than-statutory notice. The request was made to allow Strasburg to implement an Extended Area Service (EAS) restriction for customers requesting such a restriction.

2. Strasburg desires to implement this offering on January 7, 2004, concurrent with the EAS offering pursuant to the final Commission Decision in Docket No. 03A-102T.

B. Findings of Fact

3. Customers who do not desire to subscribe to any of the alternative EAS offerings for local calling into the Denver metro area expressed the desire to have such an EAS offering.

4. Customers who choose the restriction will retain their existing local calling area at the current monthly rate and this will ensure that additional per minute calling charges into the

Denver metro area are not incurred by the customer. The proposed tariffed rate for the optional restriction is \$1.50 per month.

5. In this matter, the Commission finds good cause to grant the approval of Advice Letter No. 79 and the accompanying tariff sheet and to waive our rule, 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations* 723-1-41.4 to allow the tariff to become effective on less-than-statutory notice.

II. ORDER

A. The Commission Orders That:

1. Strasburg Telephone Company, Inc.'s application for approval of Advice Letter No. 79 and the accompanying tariff sheet to become effective on less-than-statutory notice is granted.

2. Strasburg Telephone Company, Inc., may file the proposed Advice Letter No. 79 and the accompanying tariff sheet on not less-than-statutory notice, to become effective January 7, 2004.

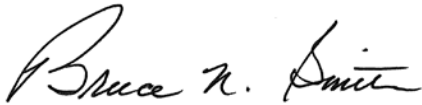
3. This Order is effective on its Mailed Date.

**B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING
December 30, 2003.**

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Director

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