

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of an Investigation into)	
Various Issues Related to the Missouri)	Case No. TO-98-329
Universal Service Fund)	

NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF INTERVENTION

GTE Midwest Incorporated d/b/a Verizon Midwest ("Verizon") hereby respectfully notifies the Missouri Public Service Commission that it withdraws its intervention in the above-referenced case effective immediately. On August 30, 2002, Verizon closed its sale of its Missouri local exchange properties, as approved by the Commission in its Report & Order issued on May 21, 2002, in Case No. TM-2002-232. As a result, Verizon no longer has an interest in this proceeding, and hereby withdraws its intervention.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or e-mailed to all counsel of record this 8th day of October, 2002.

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