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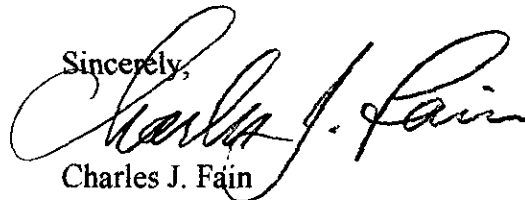
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Dear Mr. Secretary:

Please file the enclosed Complaint and bring to the attention of the Commissioners for their information and action.

Sincerely,

  
Charles J. Fain

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encs.

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
STATE OF MISSOURI

COMPLAINT

TC-99-416

COMES NOW the undersigned, Charles J. Fain, MBN 14830, and files this COMPLAINT on behalf of the COMMITTEE TO ELIMINATE 561 PRE-FIX, said committee being composed of :

Angela Leist, Chairperson  
Merriam Woods, MO 65740

Doris Compton, Vice-Chairperson  
Village of Bull Creek, MO 65616

Milinda Kincaid  
Village of Bull Creek, MO 65616

Madge Nelson  
Rockaway Beach, MO 65616

Sandi Engles  
Walnut Shade, MO 65771

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representing the various telephone subscribers now using the 561 pre-fix.

All of the telephone subscribers now using the 561 pre-fix are household or small business users in an area directly east, northeast, and southeast of Branson, Missouri and within a distance of approximately 5 miles of the present Branson City limits. The communities in which these customers live are Village of Bull Creek, Village of Merriam Woods, Walnut Shade and Rockaway Beach.

The main arteries of highways in these communities lead directly into Branson, Missouri, and the business strip of St. Highway 76, the world renowned "Country Music Capitol of the World."

Most of the working populations in these communities work in Branson, Missouri, and commute daily to their jobs in Branson.

Practically all of the shopping centers where these residents go to shop for their needs are located in the Branson area.

Skaggs Community Hospital, serving the medical needs of these residents is located in Branson, with the only other hospital facilities located in Springfield, Missouri, approximately 35 miles to the north. All of the doctors and dentists in the area are located in Branson, Missouri.

The major utilities serving these communities have offices in Branson, Missouri. The major banks serving these communities are all located in Branson, Missouri except for one branch office in Rockaway Beach.

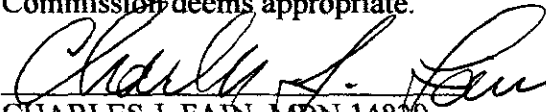
Most elementary and high school students are educated through the Branson MO school district.

Attached to this Petition and filed with this Commission are petitions signed by over ninety five percent of 561 pre-fix users expressing their overwhelming choice and need to be included in the Branson pre-fix area.

The community of interest for these subscribers, as shown by their signing the attached petitions is in Branson.

In the event this Commission sets this matter for hearing, the Committee requests hearings be scheduled in the area in order to facilitate the appearance of the local people at such hearings.

WHEREFORE, the Committee, by and represented by its attorneys, Charles J. Fain and James K. Justus, request the Public Service Commission to hold hearings locally, to determine the community of interest and the need for the elimination of the 561 pre-fix and that these subscribers be included in the same prefix as Branson, thus making it possible to eliminate long distance calls to and from Branson for the phone needs of these communities and that area wide service be instituted for the area and such other and further relief as the Public Service Commission deems appropriate.

  
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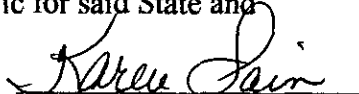
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STATE OF MISSOURI }  
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COUNTY OF TANEY }

I, Charles J. Fain, the undersigned, first being duly sworn, do state that the facts set out in the above Complaint are true according to my best knowledge, information and belief, and state further that I am authorized to sign and act for said Committee.

DATED: March 28, 1999

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
a Notary Public for said State and  
County.

  
NOTIARY PUBLIC

My Commission expires: 4-10-99

  
CHARLES J. FAIN