

STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office
in Jefferson City on the 4th
day of October, 1994.

In the matter of the request for community)
optional service from GTE Midwest's Reeds)
Spring exchange to Southwestern Bell) Case No. TO-94-271
Telephone's Springfield exchange and GTE)
Midwest's Branson and Branson West exchanges.)

ORDER OF IMPLEMENTATION

On December 29, 1989, the Commission issued a Report and Order in Case No. TO-87-131 directing local exchange companies (LECs) in Missouri to offer community optional service (COS) in exchanges demonstrating a community of interest. The Commission determined that a community of interest is demonstrated when an average of six calls per access line per month are made from petitioning exchange to the requested exchange and two-thirds of the customers in the petitioning exchange make two or more calls to the requested exchange per month.

On December 23, 1992, the Commission issued a Report and Order in Case No. TO-92-306 approving a statewide expanded calling scope plan. The plan, among other provisions, modified COS to a two-way service only and adjusted the rates for COS. The Commission also assigned primary toll carriers (PTCs) to implement COS in exchanges demonstrating a community of interest.

On March 7, 1994, the Commission received a petition signed by the residents of the Reeds Spring exchange requesting COS from the Reeds Spring exchange to the Branson and Springfield exchanges. GTE Midwest, Inc., (GTE) is the LEC for the Reeds Spring and Branson exchanges and Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Bell) is the LEC for the Springfield exchange. Bell is also the assigned PTC for these routes.

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On April 1, 1994, the Commission directed GTE to perform a calling usage study to ascertain whether a sufficient community of interest exists between these exchanges. On July 28, 1994, GTE filed the results of the calling usage study performed in said exchanges. The results of said study are as follows:

<u>Original Exchange</u>	<u>Terminating Exchange</u>	<u>Average Calls Per Access Line</u>	<u>Percent Making 2+Calls</u>
Reeds Spring	Springfield	9.34	68.52;
Reeds Spring	Branson	20.09	80.39.

On September 29, 1994, the Staff of the Commission filed a memorandum recommending that COS be implemented between Reeds Spring and Branson, and between Reeds Spring and Springfield on or before October 25, 1994.

Inasmuch as the petitioning routes have met the calling criteria set forth by the Commission in Case No. TO-87-131, the Commission finds that a community of interest has been demonstrated. Thus, the Commission determines that COS should be implemented between the Reeds Spring exchange and the Branson exchange, and between the Reeds Spring exchange and the Springfield exchange on or before October 25, 1994.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That GTE Midwest, Inc. and Southwestern Bell Telephone Company shall implement community optional service between the Reeds Spring exchange and the Branson exchange, and between the Reeds Spring exchange and the Springfield exchange on or before October 25, 1994.

2. That this Order shall become effective on October 14, 1994.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "David L. Rauch".

David L. Rauch
Executive Secretary

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Mueller, Chm., McClure, Perkins,
Kincheloe and Crumpton, CC., Concur.