

STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office
in Jefferson City on the 22nd
day of March, 1994.

In the matter of the request for community optional)
service from GTE Midwest, Inc.'s Buffalo exchange) Case No. TO-94-72
to Southwestern Bell Telephone's Springfield metro)
exchange.)

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 the 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 September 1, 1993, the Commission received a petition signed by the residents of the Buffalo exchange requesting COS from the Buffalo exchange to the Springfield exchange. GTE Midwest Incorporated (GTE) is the LEC for the Buffalo exchange and Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Bell) is the LEC for the Springfield exchange. GTE is also the assigned PTC for this route.

On September 14, 1993, the Commission directed GTE to perform a calling usage study to ascertain whether a sufficient community of interest exists between these exchanges. On January 10, 1994, GTE filed the results of the calling usage study performed in said exchanges. The results of said study are as follows:

Originating	Terminating	Average	Percent
<u>Exchange</u>	<u>Exchange</u>	Calls Per	Making
Buffalo	Springfield	<u>Access Line</u>	<u>2+ Calls</u>
		9.79	70.20.

On March 22, 1994, the Staff of the Commission filed a memorandum recommending that COS be implemented between Buffalo and Springfield on or before April 1, 1994.

Inasmuch as the petitioned route has 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 Buffalo exchange and the Springfield exchange on or before April 1, 1994.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That GTE Midwest Incorporated and Southwestern Bell Telephone Company shall implement community optional service between the Buffalo exchange and the Springfield exchange on or before April 1, 1994.

2. That this Order shall become effective on April 1, 1994.

BY THE COMMISSION



David L. Rauch
Executive Secretary

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