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STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office
in Jefferson City on the 19th
day of August, 1994.

In the matter of the request for community optional)
service from Southwestern Bell Telephone's Fair)
Grove exchange to Missouri Telephone's Bolivar,) CASE NO. TO-94-74
Pleasant Hope, and Morrisville exchanges; GTE)
Midwest's Buffalo, Marshfield and Ozark exchanges;)
and Southwestern Bell Telephone's Willard exchange.)

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

The Commission has received a petition signed by residents of the Fair Grove exchange requesting extra-exchange calling at less than toll rates from the Fair Grove exchange served by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Bell) to the Willard exchange also served by Bell, as well as the Bolivar, Pleasant Hope, and Morrisville exchanges served by Missouri Telephone Company (MTC) and the Buffalo, Marshfield, and Ozark exchanges served by GTE Midwest, Inc. (GTE).

By order issued September 10, 1993, the Commission directed Bell to perform a calling usage study covering one billing cycle in order to ascertain whether a sufficient community of interest exists between these exchanges to justify providing them with community optional service (COS).

On October 5, 1993, the Commission withdrew its order that Bell conduct calling usage studies on the routes from Fair Grove to Willard, Pleasant Hope, Morrisville, Marshfield, and Ozark because these exchanges are within the Springfield metropolitan calling area and COS is unnecessary. The Commission restated its order that Bell perform calling usage studies on the routes from Fair Grove to Bolivar and Buffalo.

On April 28, 1994, Bell filed the results of the calling usage study performed in said exchanges. The results of said study are as follows:

<u>Originating Exchange</u>	<u>Terminating Exchange</u>	<u>Average Calls Per Access Line</u>	<u>Percent Making 2+ Calls</u>
Fair Grove	Bolivar	.56	9.62;
Fair Grove	Buffalo	1.83	18.42.

In its Report and Order issued in Case No. TO-87-131, the Commission found that a community of interest would be demonstrated if a calling usage study showed that six calls per access line per month are made on the average from the petitioning exchange to the requested exchange and two-thirds of the customers in the petitioning exchange make two or more calls per month to the requested exchange. In re the investigation of experimental extended measured service (EMS), 30 Mo. P.S.C. (N.S.) 45 (1990).

Since the petitioned routes did not demonstrate a sufficient community of interest, the Commission determines that this case should be dismissed.

Even though the COS petition in this case has been dismissed, customers may still be provided expanded calling through a statewide expanded calling scope plan approved by the Commission in Case No. TO-92-306. The plan under consideration would implements a Metropolitan Calling Area (MCA) service in St. Louis, Kansas City and Springfield. The MCA service modifies and expands the Wide Area Service Plan currently in place in St. Louis and Kansas City. The plan also provides an Outstate Calling Area (OCA) service for those exchanges not included in an MCA. The OCA service is an optional service offered for expanded calling beyond a customer's local exchange within a 23-mile radius from each exchange's central office.

Inquiries concerning the expanded calling scope plan approved by the Commission should be directed to the Information Office of the Missouri Public Service Commission, P. O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That this case is hereby dismissed.
2. That this Order shall become effective on August 30, 1994.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "David L. Rauch". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "D".

David L. Rauch
Executive Secretary

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