

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the matter of the request for community optional service from GTE Midwest's Conway exchange to Southwestern Bell Telephone's Springfield exchange.)	<u>CASE NO. TO-94-71</u>
In the matter of the request for community optional service from GTE Midwest's Branson exchange to Southwestern Bell Telephone's Springfield exchange.)	<u>CASE NO. TO-94-78</u>
In the matter of the request for community optional service from GTE Midwest's Reeds Spring exchange to Southwestern Bell Telephone's Springfield exchange and GTE Midwest's Branson and Branson West exchanges.)	<u>CASE NO. TO-94-271</u>

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF SHEETS

GTE Midwest, Inc., (GTE) has filed tariff sheets pursuant to the Orders of Implementation issued by the Commission in Case Nos. TO-94-78 and TO-94-271 on August 24, 1994 and October 4, 1994, respectively. Included in the tariff sheets is the implementation of the Conway to Springfield community optional service (COS) route docketed as Case No. TO-94-71.

GTE states that the Conway to Springfield COS route has been studied three times, meeting the necessary calling criteria once and failing twice. The results of the first study were announced to the public as passing before GTE informed the Staff of the Commission (Staff) of an error in the first study. GTE submitted a second calling study which resulted in the route failing to meet the calling criteria. Because of Staff's concern over the disparity between the results of the first and second studies, Staff requested a third calling study. GTE's third calling study again indicated a failure to meet the necessary calling requirements. However, due to customer dissatisfaction of the handling of the calling studies, GTE is proposing to implement the Conway Springfield COS route on October 10, 1994.

Staff has filed a memorandum recommending that the Commission approve the tariff sheets for service on and after October 10, 1994. Staff states that the tariff sheets comply with the Commission's implementation orders and that implementation of the Conway to Springfield COS route is in the public interest.

Based on Staff's recommendation, the Commission finds that GTE's proposed tariff sheets are in compliance with the Commission's Orders of Implementation of August 24, 1994 and October 4, 1994, and that implementation of the Conway to Springfield COS route is just and reasonable. Thus, the Commission determines that the tariff sheets filed by GTE should be approved for service on and after October 10, 1994.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the following tariff sheets filed by GTE Midwest, Inc. are hereby approved for service on and after October, 10 1994:

P.S.C. MO. No. 3

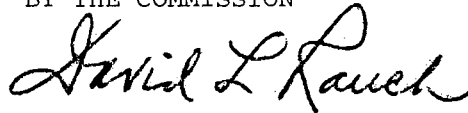
2nd Revised Sheet No. 37 Canceling 1st Revised Sheet No. 37;

2nd Revised Sheet No. 38 Canceling 1st Revised Sheet No. 38;

2nd Revised Sheet No. 40 Canceling 1st Revised sheet No. 40.

2. That this Order shall become effective on October 10, 1994.

BY THE COMMISSION



David L. Rauch
Executive Secretary

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Mark A. Grothoff, Hearing Examiner,
by delegation of authority under
Commission Directive of August 16, 1994,
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 1986.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 7th day of October, 1994.