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Enclosed find certified copy of an ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,

Dale Hardy Roberts

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of GTE Midwest
Incorporated and GTE Arkansas Incorporated for
Approval of Interconnection Agreement with New
Edge Network, Inc. d/b/a New Edge Networks,
Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

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ORDER DIRECTING FILING

On April 26, 2000, GTE Midwest Incorporated and GTE Arkansas Incorporated (collectively, GTE) filed an application with Commission for approval of an interconnection agreement (the Agreement) with New Edge Networks, Inc., d/b/a New Edge Networks (New The Agreement was filed pursuant to Section 252(e)(1) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the Act). See 47 U.S.C. § 251, et seq. The Agreement would permit New Edge to resell local telecommunications services. Although New Edge is a party to the Agreement, it did not join in the application. On May 9, 2000, the Commission issued an order making New Edge a party in this case and directing any party wishing to request a hearing or to participate without intervention to do so no later than May 30, 2000. No applications to participate or requests for hearing were filed. The Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed a memorandum on June 22, 2000, recommending that the Agreement be approved.

On July 14, 2000, the Commission issued an Order Approving Interconnection Agreement between GTE and New Edge Networks. In that Order, the Commission stated:

The Commission does not intend to conduct a full proceeding each time the parties agree to a modification. Where a proposed modification is identical to a provision that has been approved by the Commission in another agreement, the modification will be approved once Staff has verified that the provision is an approved provision, and prepared a recommendation advising approval. Where a proposed modification is not contained in another approved agreement, Staff will review the modification and its effects, and prepare a recommendation advising the Commission whether the modification should be approved. Commission may approve the modification based on the If the Commission chooses not Staff recommendation. approve the modification, the Commission will establish a case, give notice to interested parties and permit responses.

On July 12, 2000, GTE filed an Application For Approval of Line Sharing Amendment To An Interconnection Agreement. Based on its previous order, the Commission will direct staff to file a memorandum and recommendation regarding the Application and its effects no later than 30 days from the effective date of this Order.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Staff of the Public Service Commission shall file a Memorandum and Recommendation in response to the Application of GTE Midwest Incorporated and GTE Arkansas Incorporated for Approval of a Line Sharing Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement with New Edge Network, Inc. d/b/a New Edge Networks, within 30 days from the effective date of this Order.

2. That this order shall become effective on August 4, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(SEAL)

Vicky Ruth, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 25th day of July, 2000.

STATE OF MISSOURI OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this <u>25th</u> day of July 2000.

Dale Hardy Roberts

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge