

STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office
in Jefferson City on the 23rd
day of February, 1984.

CASE NO. TA-84-82 ✓

In the matter of the application of
MCI Telecommunications Corporation
for a certificate of public convenience
and necessity to offer telecommunications
service in Missouri.

CASE NO. TA-84-114

In the matter of the application of
GTE Sprint Communications Corporation
for a certificate of public convenience
and necessity to offer intercity
telecommunications service to the public
in the State of Missouri.

ORDER

On November 2, 1983, MCI Telecommunications Corporation (MCI) filed an
application seeking authority and a certificate of public convenience and necessity
to provide interexchange telecommunications services for hire between points within
the State of Missouri.

On December 30, 1983, GTE Sprint Communications Corporation (Sprint) filed
an application seeking authority and a certificate of public convenience and
necessity to provide intercity telecommunications services to the public in the State
of Missouri.

Thereafter, on January 12, 1984, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service
Commission (Staff) filed its Motion to Consolidate. Staff alleges that both the MCI
application and the Sprint application seek authority from the Commission to provide

intercity telecommunication services to the general public along certain routes and some of the same routes and that any hearings held pursuant to these applications will involve substantially similar or related questions of law and fact. Staff further alleges that consolidation of the hearings to be held in these matters will conserve both Staff and Commission resources.

By letter of February 10, 1984, Staff indicates that neither MCI nor Sprint objects to consolidating these proceedings for hearing. However, all parties request that the Commission defer ruling on Staff's Replies to Applications until further notice from the parties. Such notice is expected to be given on or before February 29, 1984.

The Commission is of the opinion that the instant applications should be consolidated for purposes of hearing. In addition, the Commission determines that an intervention deadline should be established in these cases, that general notice of the applications should be given to the publishers of all newspapers listed in the Newspaper Directory of the current Official Manual of the State of Missouri, and that specific notice of these applications should be sent to each telephone company rendering local exchange service in Missouri and to any persons or entities known to the communications department of the Public Service Commission to be rendering identical or similar services as those proposed by Applicants.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED: 1. That Case No. TA-84-82 and Case No. TA-84-114 be, and the same are, hereby consolidated for purposes of hearing.

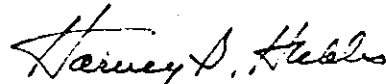
ORDERED: 2. That any proper entity desiring to intervene in this case should file its application to intervene with the Secretary of the Commission and serve a copy of the same upon Applicants' attorneys, on or before March 14, 1984. Applicant MCI's attorney is: Ruth S. Baker-Battist, Assistant General Counsel, 1133 19th Street, N.W., Washington D.C. 20036, and Sprint's attorney is: Larry W. Dority, Attorney at Law, 1675 East Seminole, Suite K-100, Springfield, Missouri 65804.

ORDERED: 3. That the Secretary of the Commission be, and is, hereby directed to send notice of this Order to the publisher of each newspaper listed in the Newspaper Directory of the current Official Manual of the State of Missouri.

ORDERED: 4. That the Secretary of the Commission be, and is, hereby further directed to send notice as provided above.

ORDERED: 5. That this Order shall become effective on the date hereof.

BY THE COMMISSION



Harvey G. Hubbs
Secretary

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Steinmeier, Chm., Musgrave,
Mueller and Fischer, CC., Concur.
Hendren, C., Absent.