STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 12th day of October, 1993.

In the matter of the request for community optional -)
service from ALLTEL Missouri's Myrtle Exchange to)
Case No. TO-91-103
Contel of Missouri's Thayer and Alton Exchanges.)

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

The Commission has received a petition signed by residents of the Myrtle exchange requesting extra-exchange calling at less than toll rates from the Myrtle exchange served by ALLTEL Missouri, Inc. (ALLTEL) to the Thayer and Alton exchanges served by GTE Midwest Inc. (GTE), formely Contel of Missouri, Inc.

By order issued October 2, 1990, the Commission directed ALLTEL 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 January 30, 1991, ALLTEL filed the results of the calling usage study performed in said exchanges. The results of said study are as follows:

		Average	Percent
Originating	Terminating	Calls Per	Making
Exchange	Exchange	Access Line	2+ Calls
Myrtle	Thayer	7	71.6;
Myrtle	Alton	4	45.8.

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).

Because the Myrtle to Thayer route demonstrated a sufficient community of interest, COS was implemented for that route as of August 31, 1993.

However, since the Myrtle to Alton route did not demonstrate a sufficient community of interest, the Commission determines that the petition for this route should be dismissed.

Even though the petition for the Myrtle to Alton route has been dismissed, customers may still be provided expanded calling through a statewide expanded calling scope plan implemented by the Commission in Case No. TO-92-306. The plan implements a Metropolitan Calling Area (MCA) service in St. Louis, Kansas City and Springfield and an Outstate Calling Area (OCA) service for those exchanges not included in an MCA. Inquiries concerning the statewide expanded calling scope plan 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 the petition for community optional service from the Myrtle exchange to the Alton exchange is hereby dismissed.
 - 2. That this Order shall become effective on October 22, 1993.

BY THE COMMISSION

David L. Rauch Executive Secretary

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