STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 4th day of August, 1995.

In the matter of the request for community optional)	
service from GTE Midwest Inc.'s Wright City exchange)	
to GTE Midwest Inc.'s Wentzville, Troy, St. Peters,)	CASE NO. TO-95-283
O'Fallon, and St. Charles exchanges and Southwestern)	
Bell Telephone's St. Louis metropolitan exchange.)	

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

The Commission has received a petition signed by residents of the Wright City exchange requesting extra-exchange calling at less than toll rates from the Wright City exchange served by GTE Midwest, Inc. (GTE) to the Wentzville, Troy, St. Peters, and O'Fallon exchanges also served by GTE, as well as the St. Charles exchange and the St. Louis metropolitan calling area served by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company.

By order issued March 27, 1995, the Commission directed GTE 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 July 21, 1995, GTE 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
Wright City	Wentzville	3.92	34.31;
Wright City	Troy	1.71	18.63;
Wright City	St. Peters	1.07	15.04;
Wright City	O'Fallon	2.23	23.92;
Wright City	St. Charles	2.07	26.25;
Wright City	St. Louis metropolitan	6.70	47.57.

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 (1989).

Since the petitioned route 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 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 THEREPORE ORDERED:

1. That this case is hereby dismissed.

2. That this Order shall become effective on August 15, 1995.

BY THE COMMISSION

David L. Rauch Executive Secretary

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