

STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office
in Jefferson City on the 11th
day of August, 1995.

In the matter of the request for community)
optional service from Mark Twain Rural Tele-)
phone's Philadelphia exchange to GTE Midwest's)
Palmyra exchange.)

CASE NO. TO-95-436

ORDER OF IMPLEMENTATION

On December 29, 1989, the Commission issued a Report and Order in Case No. TO-87-131 directing local exchange companies (LECs) in Missouri to offer community optional service (COS) in exchanges demonstrating a community of interest. The Commission determined that a community of interest is demonstrated when an average of six calls per access line per month are made from petitioning exchange to the requested exchange and two-thirds of the customers in the petitioning exchange make two or more calls to the requested exchange per month.

On December 23, 1992, the Commission issued a Report and Order in Case No. TO-92-306 approving a statewide expanded calling scope plan. The plan, among other provisions, modified COS to a two-way service only and adjusted the rates for COS. The Commission also assigned primary toll carriers (PTCs) to implement COS in exchanges demonstrating a community of interest.

On June 30, 1995, the Commission received a petition signed by the residents of the Philadelphia exchange requesting COS from the Philadelphia exchange to the Palmyra exchange. Mark Twain Rural Telephone Company (Mark Twain) is the LEC for the Philadelphia exchange and GTE Midwest, Inc., (GTE) is the LEC for the Palmyra exchange. GTE is also the assigned PTC for this route.

On July 7, 1995, the Commission directed Mark Twain to perform a calling usage study to ascertain whether a sufficient community of interest

exists between these exchanges. On July 14, 1995, Mark Twain filed the results of the calling usage study performed in said exchanges. The results of said study are as follows:

<u>Original Exchange</u>	<u>Terminating Exchange</u>	<u>Average Calls Per Access Line</u>	<u>Percent Making 2+ Calls</u>
Philadelphia	Palmyra	8.09	69.3.

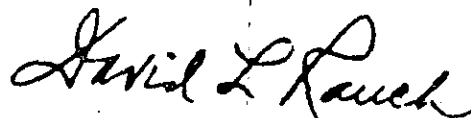
On August 3, 1995, the Staff of the Commission filed a memorandum recommending that COS be implemented between Philadelphia and Palmyra within 120 days.

Inasmuch as the petitioning route has met the calling criteria set forth by the Commission in Case No. TO-87-131, the Commission finds that a community of interest has been demonstrated. Thus, the Commission determines that COS should be implemented between the Philadelphia exchange and the Palmyra exchange within 120 days after this Order is issued.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That Mark Twain Rural Telephone Company and GTE Midwest, Inc. shall implement community optional service between the Philadelphia exchange and the Palmyra exchange within 120 days after the issuance of this Order.
2. That this Order shall become effective on August 22, 1995.

BY THE COMMISSION



David L. Rauch
Executive Secretary

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