

STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office
in Jefferson City on the 8th
day of January, 1993.

In the matter of the request for community optional)
service from United Telephone Company of Missouri's)
Holt exchange to United Telephone Company of) CASE NO. TO-90-44
Missouri's Kearney exchange and Southwestern Bell)
Telephone Company's Kansas City metropolitan)
calling area.)

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

The Commission has received a petition signed by residents of the Holt exchange requesting extra-exchange calling at less than toll rates from the Holt exchange served by United Telephone Company of Missouri (United), to the Kearney exchange also served by United and to the Kansas City metropolitan calling area served by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company.

By order issued October 27, 1989, the Commission directed United 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 April 24, 1990, United filed the results of the calling usage study performed in said exchanges. The results of said study are as follows:

<u>Originating Exchange</u>	<u>Terminating Exchange</u>	<u>Average Calls Per Access Line</u>	<u>Percent Making 2+ Calls</u>
Holt	Kansas City metropolitan	18.35	86.4
Holt	Kearney	10.22	65.2.

On June 12, 1990, the Commission ordered United to implement the Holt to the Kansas City route. By order issued July 27, 1990, the Commission directed

United to perform an additional calling usage study of the Holt to Kearney route covering one billing cycle. The results of that study are as follows:

<u>Originating Exchange</u>	<u>Terminating Exchange</u>	<u>Average Calls Per Access Line</u>	<u>Percent Making 2+ Calls</u>
Holt	Kearney	10.01	63.6.

By order issued February 6, 1991, the Commission directed United to perform another calling usage study of the Holt to Kearney route covering one billing cycle. The results of that study are as follows:

<u>Originating Exchange</u>	<u>Terminating Exchange</u>	<u>Average Calls Per Access Line</u>	<u>Percent Making 2+ Calls</u>
Holt	Kearney	10.03	63.8.

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).

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 recently 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 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 THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That this case is hereby dismissed.
2. That this order shall become effective on January 19, 1993.

BY THE COMMISSION

Brent Stewart

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Executive Secretary

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McClure, Chm., Perkins and
Kincheloe, CC., Concur.
Mueller, C., Absent.
Rauch, C., Not Participating.