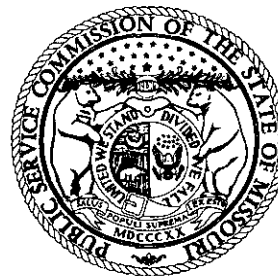


## Notice of *Ex Parte* Contact

TO: Commission Data Center  
All Parties in Case No. TO-2001-391  
Commissioners

FROM: Commissioner Steve Gaw *SH*

DATE: July 31, 2002



On July 26, 2002, I received the attached letter from Mr. Ron Buesinger requesting an update on the request for expanding metropolitan calling area services in the Innsbrook area. The Commission opened an investigatory case and is currently considering the issue of metropolitan calling service areas in Case Number TO-2001-391 and is bound by the same *ex parte* rule as a court of law.

Although communications from members of the public are always welcome, those communications must be made known to all parties to a contested case so that those parties have the opportunity to respond. According to the Commission's rules (4 CSR 240-4), when a communication (either oral or written) occurs outside the hearing process, any member of the Commission or Regulatory Law Judge who received the communication shall prepare a written report concerning the communication and submit it to each member of the Commission and the parties to the case. The report shall identify the person(s) who participated in the *ex parte* communication, the circumstances which resulted in the communication, the substance of the communication, and the relationship of the communication to a particular matter at issue before the Commission.

Therefore, I think it appropriate to submit this notice of *ex parte* contact pursuant to the standards set out in the rules cited above. This will ensure that any party to this case will have notice of the contact and a full and fair opportunity to respond.

cc: Executive Director  
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge  
General Counsel

**Ron and Jean Buesinger**  
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**Steve Gaw**

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July 24, 2002

The Honorable Steve Gaw  
Missouri Public Service Commission  
P O Box 360  
Jefferson City MO 65102

Re: Case No. TO-2001-391

Dear Commissioner Gaw

Thank you for your letter of last January acknowledging my comments with regard to the above case. Your response was much appreciated.

Could you or someone on your staff provide me with an update? Has the case been decided? If so, what was the outcome? If not yet heard, what is the anticipated timetable?

Should an Internet response be easier/faster/less expensive than a letter, my e-mail address is [rbuesinger@usmo.com](mailto:rbuesinger@usmo.com).

Thanks again.

Sincerely,

