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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

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In the Matter of GTE Communications)
Corporation's Tariff to Change Name) CASE NO. TO-98-327
From GTE Card Services)
Incorporated.)

**ORDER ACKNOWLEDGING CHANGE OF NAME
AND APPROVING TARIFF**

GTE Card Services Incorporated (GTE Card Services) filed a letter with the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) on February 3, 1998, indicating that its name had changed from GTE Card Services to GTE Communications Corporation (GTE Communications). In conjunction with its letter, GTE Card Services also submitted an Amended Certificate of Authority of a Foreign Corporation from the Missouri Secretary of State's Office. In addition, GTE Card Services filed an adoption notice reflecting the change in the corporate name of the company. The adoption notice bears an effective date of March 5.

On February 25, the Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed a memorandum containing its recommendation. Staff notes that GTE Card Services filed a copy of its Amended Certificate of Authority of a Foreign Corporation from the Missouri Secretary of State's Office, and filed an adoption notice containing the new corporate name. Staff states that it has no objections to the adoption notice, and recommends that the Commission issue an order to recognize the name change in all Commission records and to approve the adoption notice.

The Commission has reviewed the official case file and Staff's recommendation, and finds that it is in the public interest to maintain an accurate record of the name under which utilities are providing service. This will enable the Commission to better discharge its regulatory

responsibilities, and will enable ratepayers to ascertain the true identity of the utility from which they receive service. The Commission further finds that the adoption notice reflecting the company's change of name, along with the Amended Certificate of Authority of a Foreign Corporation, will enable the Commission to maintain accurate records with respect to this company. The Commission thus finds that it would be both reasonable and appropriate to acknowledge the change in the corporate name of the company from GTE Card Services to GTE Communications, and approve the adoption notice reflecting the change in the name of the company.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Commission hereby acknowledges the change in the corporate name of the company from GTE Card Services Incorporated to GTE Communications Corporation.

2. That the certificate of service authority previously issued to GTE Card Services Incorporated on August 8, 1995, in Case No. TA-95-383 is hereby amended to reflect the change in the company's corporate name from GTE Card Services Incorporated to GTE Communications Corporation.

3. That the following adoption notice filed by GTE Card Services Incorporated on February 3, 1998 is hereby approved to become effective on March 5, 1998:

GTE Communications Corporation Missouri P.S.C. No. 1
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4. That this order shall become effective on March 5, 1998.

5. That this case shall be closed on March 6, 1998.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Elaine E. Bensavage, Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant to
4 CSR 240-2.120(1) (November 30, 1995)
and Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 27th day of February, 1998.

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