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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of GTE)
Communications Corporation for a Certificate of)
Service Authority to Provide Basic Local Tele-) Case No. TA-98-152
communications Service in Portions of the State)
of Missouri and to Classify Said Services and)
and the Company as Competitive.)
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ORDER AND NOTICE

GTE Communications Corporation (GTECC) filed an application on October 9, 1997, for certificates of service authority to provide basic local telecommunications service, and local exchange telecommunications service in the State of Missouri under 4 CSR 240-2.060(4). Specifically, GTECC wishes to provide resold services in all the exchanges currently served by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWBT), GTE Midwest Incorporated (GTE), and United Telephone Company of Missouri, d/b/a Sprint (Sprint-United). GTECC asked to be classified as a competitive company and receive a lesser degree of regulation as permitted by Sections 392.361 and 392.420, RSMo.¹ GTECC requested a temporary waiver of 4 CSR 240-2.060(4) (H) that requires an applicant to file a tariff simultaneously with its application, on the grounds that it is impossible for GTECC to prepare a tariff until it has executed interconnection agreements with SWBT, GTE, and Sprint-United and those agreements have been approved by the Commission. Finally, GTECC requested waiver of the following statutes and Commission rules:

¹ All statutory references are to the Revised Statutes of Missouri, 1994 or to the 1996 Supplement.

Statutes

392.210.2
392.270
392.280
392.290.1
392.300.2
392.310
392.320
392.330
392.340

Commission Rules

4 CSR 240-10.020
4 CSR 240-30.040
4 CSR 240-35

The Commission finds that notice of this application should be sent to the same companies that receive notice of applications for interexchange service authority, and that interested parties should have the opportunity to intervene. Applications to intervene should be submitted by November 10, 1997, to the Executive Secretary of the Missouri Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102, and copies sent to:

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If no one requests a hearing, the Commission may determine that no hearing is necessary and grant the authority requested based on the verified petition. State ex rel. Rex Deffenderfer Enterprises, Inc. v. Public Service Commission, 776 S.W.2d 494, 496 (Mo. App. 1989).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Records Department of the Commission shall send notice of this application as described above.
2. That parties wishing to intervene shall file an application to intervene no later than November 10, 1997.

3. That this order shall become effective on October 14, 1997.

BY THE COMMISSION



Cecil I. Wright
Executive Secretary

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Kevin F. Hennessey, 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 14th day of October, 1997.