

STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office
in Jefferson City on the 22nd
day of August, 1990.

In the matter of the request for community optional)
service from Contel of Missouri's Mt. Sterling)
exchange to Contel of Missouri's Hermann exchange)
and Fidelity Telephone's Owensville exchange.)

CASE NO. TO-90-265

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

The Commission has received a petition signed by residents of the
Mt. Sterling exchange requesting extra-exchange calling at less than toll rates
from the Mt. Sterling exchange served by Contel of Missouri to the Hermann exchange
also served by Contel of Missouri and the Owensville exchange served by Fidelity
Telephone.

By order issued April 20, 1990, the Commission directed Contel of
Missouri 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 July 25, 1990, Contel of Missouri filed the results of the calling
usage study performed in said exchanges. The results of said study indicate that a
community of interest does not exist between these exchanges.

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 made two or more calls per month to the requested
exchange. *In re the investigation of experimental extended measure service (EMS)*,
Case No. TO-87-131 (December 29, 1989, clarified January 23, 1990).

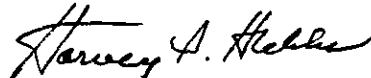
The results of the calling usage study performed herein indicate that 1.275 calls per access line per month were made on the average from the petitioning exchange to the Hermann exchange and .873 calls per month were made from the petitioning exchange to the Owensville exchange, and 22.23 percent of the customers in the petitioning exchange made at least two calls per month to the Hermann exchange and 13.94 percent of the customers made at least two calls per month to the Owensville exchange. Therefore, the Commission's criteria have not been met.

In view of the foregoing, the Commission determines that the above-referenced case should be dismissed.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the above-referenced case is dismissed hereby.
2. That this order shall become effective on the 4th day of September, 1990.

BY THE COMMISSION



Harvey G. Hubbs
Secretary

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Steinmeier, Chm., Mueller, Rauch,
McClure and Letsch-Roderique, CC., Concur.