

STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service  
Commission held at its office  
in Jefferson City on the 11th  
day of September, 1992.

In the matter of the request for community	)	
optional service from United Telephone's	)	
Dearborn exchange to United Telephone's	)	
Edgerton, Camden Point and Platte City	)	<u>Case No. TO-91-183</u>
exchanges and Southwestern Bell Telephone's	)	
St. Joseph and Kansas City Metropolitan	)	
area.	)	

ORDER OF PARTIAL DISMISSAL  
AND DIRECTING ADDITIONAL CALLING STUDY

The Commission has received a petition signed by residents of the Dearborn exchange requesting extra-exchange calling at less than toll rates from the Dearborn exchange served by United Telephone Company to the Edgerton, Camden Point and Platte City exchanges served by United Telephone Company and the St. Joseph exchange and Kansas City Metropolitan calling area served by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company.

By order issued November 16, 1990, the Commission directed United Telephone Company 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 March 11, 1991, United Telephone Company filed the results of the calling usage study performed in said exchanges. The results of said study are as follows:

<u>Originating</u> <u>Exchange</u>	<u>Terminating</u> <u>Exchange</u>	<u>Average</u> <u>Calls Per</u> <u>Access Lines</u>	<u>Percent</u> <u>Making</u> <u>2+ Calls</u>
Dearborn	KC Metro	10.78	64.20%
Dearborn	Edgerton	3.08	29.30%
Dearborn	Camden Point	3.14	30.10%
Dearborn	Platte City	4.33	48.60%
Dearborn	St. Joseph	8.60	58.60%

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 Dearborn to Edgerton, Camden Point and Platte City routes did not demonstrate a sufficient community of interest, the Commission determines that the petition for these routes should be dismissed. Since the Dearborn to St. Joseph and the Kansas City metropolitan calling area routes passed the calls per access line criterion and were extremely close to the two calls per month criterion, the Commission determines that new calling studies should be conducted for those routes.

Even though the petition for the Dearborn to Edgerton, Camden Point and Platte City routes has been dismissed, customers in those exchanges may still be provided expanded calling through a statewide expanded calling scope plan currently under consideration by the Commission in Case No. TO-92-306. The plan under consideration would implement 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 being considered by the Commission would also provide an Outstate Calling Area (OCA) service for those exchanges not included in an MCA. The OCA service would be an optional service offered for expanded calling beyond a customer's local exchange. The Commission is considering two alternatives for the scope of the

OCA: a 23-mile radius from each exchange's central office or a 23-mile multi-point service measured from central office to central office.

Inquiries concerning the calling scope plan under consideration 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 the petition for community optional service from United Telephone Company's Dearborn exchange to its Edgerton, Camden Point and Platte City exchanges is hereby dismissed.

2. That United Telephone Company shall perform a calling usage study covering one billing cycle for the traffic from its Dearborn exchange to Southwestern Bell Telephone Company's Kansas City metropolitan calling area.

3. That United Telephone Company shall perform a calling usage study covering one billing cycle for the traffic from its Dearborn exchange to Southwestern Bell Telephone Company's St. Joseph exchange.

4. That the results of the calling usage studies herein ordered shall be filed within one hundred twenty (120) days from the effective date of this order.

5. That this order shall become effective on September 22, 1992.

BY THE COMMISSION

*Brent Stewart*

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Executive Secretary

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McClure, Chm., Perkins and  
Kincheloe, CC., Concur.  
Mueller, C., Dissents.  
Rauch, C., Not participating.