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**RE: Case No. TO-2000-463**

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case are an original and fourteen (14) conformed copies of a **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**.

This filing has been mailed or hand-delivered this date to all counsel of record.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of the Application of GTE )  
Midwest Incorporated and GTE Arkansas )  
Incorporated for Approval of )  
Interconnection Agreement with )  
Omniplex Communications Group LLC, )  
Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the )  
Telecommunications Act of 1996. )

Case No. TO-2000-463

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff") and for its  
*Recommendation* states:

In the attached *Memorandum*, which is labeled *Appendix A*, Staff recommends that the  
Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") grant GTE Midwest Incorporated and  
GTE Arkansas Incorporated ("Applicants") approval of an interconnection, resale agreement  
with Omniplex Communications Group LLC, pursuant to the terms of Section 252(e) of the  
Telecommunications Act of 1996, for the reasons stated therein.

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Respectfully submitted,

DANA K. JOYCE  
General Counsel

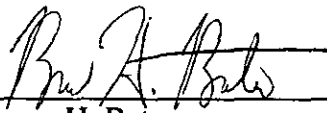


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# MEMORANDUM

**To:** Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File  
Case No. TO-2000-463  
Parties: GTE Midwest Incorporated and GTE Arkansas Incorporated

**From:** Sara Buyak, Telecommunications Department

*Wm Henderson 2-23-00* *Man Boston 2-24-00* *2-23-00*  
Utility Operations Division/Date General Counsel Office/Date

**Subject:** Staff Recommendation for Approval of Interconnection Agreement

**Date:** February 18, 2000

**Date Filed:** January 26, 2000

**Staff Deadline:** March 27, 2000

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The Telecommunications Department Staff (Staff) recommends the Parties be granted approval of the submitted (may check more than one)

- ☒ Resale Agreement
- ☐ Facilities-based Interconnection Agreement
- ☐ Wireless Interconnection Agreement

The Parties submitted the proposed Agreement to the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) pursuant to the terms of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Act). Staff has reviewed the proposed Agreement and believes it meets the limited requirements of the Act. Specifically, the Agreement: 1) does not appear to discriminate against telecommunications carriers not party to the Agreement and 2) does not appear to be against the public interest, convenience or necessity.

Is there an attachment to this recommendation indicating any recommendations or special considerations? ☐ Yes ☒ No

| From          | Initials  | Date           | Revised |
|---------------|-----------|----------------|---------|
| Sara Buyak    | SB        | 2/18/00        |         |
| Wm. Voight    | <i>WV</i> | <i>2-18</i>    |         |
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| Mr. Henderson | <i>WH</i> | <i>2-23-00</i> |         |
| Legal         | <i>MP</i> | <i>2-24-00</i> |         |

**Interconnection Agreement Review Items**

- ☒ No applications to intervene filed
- ☒ Terms and rates in Agreement similar to those contained in approved Interconnection Agreement, i.e., GTE Midwest Inc. / GTE Arkansas and Navigator Telecommunications, LLC.
- ☒ Agreement signed by both Parties

Staff recommends the Commission direct the Parties to submit any modifications or amendments to the interconnection agreement to the Commission for approval. Staff has a copy of the Interconnection agreement numbered seriatim.

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