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To:

Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File Service

Case No. TO-2000-190

Parties: GTE Midwest Incorporated and GTE Arkansas Incorporated

Now Communications, Inc.

From:

tas Tom Solt, Telecommunications Department

Subject:

Staff Recommendation for Approval of Interconnection Agreement

Date:

September 23, 1999

Date Filed:

August 26, 1999

Staff Deadline: November 3, 1999

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

X 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? Tyes No

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Interconnection Agreement Review Items

No applications to intervene filed

Terms and rates in Agreement similar to those contained in approved Interconnection Agreement, i.e., Resale Agreement Between GTE Midwest Incorporated and GTE Arkansas Incorporated and dPi-

Teleconnect, L.L.C., TO-99-374

Agreement signed by both Parties

Staff recommends the Commission direct the Parties to submit any modifications or amendments

Copies: Director - Utility Operations Division

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