

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**  
**OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Petition of Cass County  
Telephone Company for Suspension and  
Modification of the FCC's Requirement to  
Implement Number Portability.

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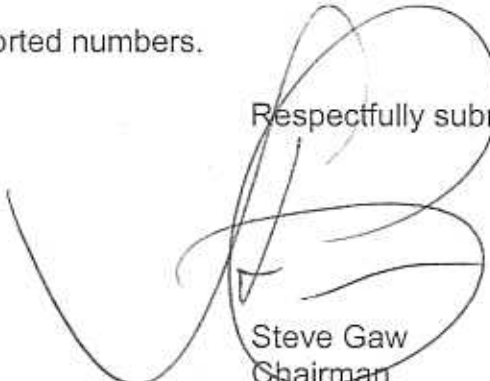
Case No. TO-2004-0504

**CONCURRING OPINION OF CHAIRMAN STEVE GAW**

In making its decision to modify Cass County's obligation with regard to intermodal porting, the Commission finds that modification would cause an undue economic burden and that it would be in the public interest. However, the Commission finds that modification would not cause a significant adverse economic impact.

Although I agree with the result reached by the Commission, I disagree with the Commission's finding that modification would not cause a significant adverse impact. For this reason I concur with the Commission's decision to modify Cass County's obligation to transport telephone calls to ported numbers.

Respectfully submitted,



Steve Gaw  
Chairman

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2004.