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STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 28th day of March, 1995.

In the matter of the request for community) optional service from Southwestern Bell) <u>CASE</u> Telephone's Union exchange to Southwestern) Bell Telephone's Washington exchange.

CASE NO. TO-95-21

ORDER OF IMPLEMENTATION

On December 29, 1989, the Commission issued a Report and Order in Case No. TO-87-131 directing local exchange companies (LECs) in Missouri to offer community optional service (COS) in exchanges demonstrating a community of interest. The Commission determined that a community of interest is demonstrated when an average of six calls per access line per month are made from petitioning exchange to the requested exchange and two-thirds of the customers in the petitioning exchange make two or more calls to the requested exchange per month.

On December 23, 1992, the Commission issued a Report and Order in Case No. TO-92-306 approving a statewide expanded calling scope plan. The plan, among other provisions, modified COS to a two-way service only and adjusted the rates for COS. The Commission also assigned primary toll carriers (PTCs) to implement COS in exchanges demonstrating a community of interest.

On July 27, 1994, the Commission received a petition signed by the residents of the Union exchange requesting COS from the Union exchange to the Washington exchange. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Bell) is the LEC for both exchanges. Bell is also the assigned PTC for this route.

On August 19, 1994, the Commission directed Bell to perform a calling usage study to ascertain whether a sufficient community of interest

exists between these exchanges. On November 7, 1994, Bell filed the results of the calling usage study performed in said exchanges. The results of said study are as follows:

		Average	Percent
Original	Terminating	Calls Per	Making
<u>Exchange</u>	<u>Exchange</u>	Access Line	<u>2+ Calls</u>
Union	Washington	12.96	70.47.

On March 14, 1995, the Staff of the Commission filed a memorandum recommending that COS be implemented between Union and Washington within 120 days.

Inasmuch as the petitioning route has met the calling criteria set forth by the Commission in Case No. TO-87-131, the Commission finds that a community of interest has been demonstrated. Thus, the Commission determines that COS should be implemented between the Union exchange and the Washington exchange within 120 days.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That Southwestern Bell Telephone Company shall implement community optional service between the Union exchange and the Washington exchange on or before July 26, 1995.
 - 2. That this Order shall become effective on April 7, 1995.

BY THE COMMISSION

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David L. Rauch Executive Secretary

Mueller, Chm., McClure, Perkins, Kincheloe and Crumpton, CC., Concur.