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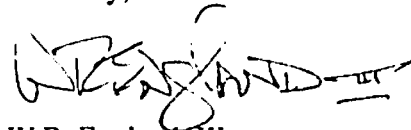
Re: Case No. TO-98-49

Dear Mr. Wright:

Please consider this letter as the Small Telephone Company Group's concurrence in the Motion for Early Prehearing Conference filed by the Mid-Missouri Group on or about September 10, 1997 in the above-referenced matter.

Please see that this letter is brought to the attention of the appropriate Commission personnel. I thank you in advance for your attention to and cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,



W.R. England, III

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cc: Parties of Record
Mr. Robert C. Schoonmaker