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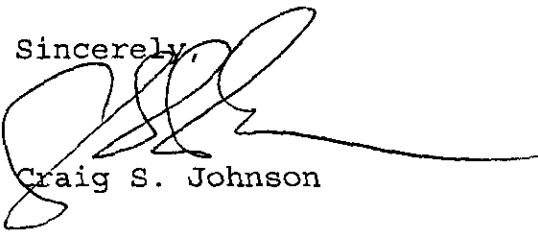
Re: TW-97-333

Dear Secretary Roberts:

Please find enclosed an original and 15 copies of the Mid-Missouri Group's Reply to GTE's Response to STCG's Motion to Stay. I have this date sent a copy of same to all counsel of record.

Thank you for seeing this filed.

Sincerely,


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In the Matter of an Investigation into)
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Calling Service in Missouri.)

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THE MID-MISSOURI GROUP'S REPLY TO GTE RESPONSE
TO STCG'S MOTION TO STAY

Comes now the Mid-Missouri Group of Local Exchange Companies, and in particular Peace Valley Telephone Company, and for its reply to GTE's response to the Small Telephone Company Group Motion for Stay, and states as follows:

1. If and when presubscription results in the elimination of two-way COS service, the Mid-Missouri Group and Peace Valley do agree that the EECP would be a desirable offering to be made available in the Peace Valley exchange.

2. However, in view of the strong Peace Valley customer purchase of two-way COS, it is not deemed to be in the customers' best interest to accelerate the loss of two-way COS. Two-way COS is currently available at 16 dollars per month, whereas EECP is a one-way service which costs 23 dollars per month.

3. Recently a newspaper article has been published in the West Plains/Peace Valley area, which indicates to COS customers that and they can expect to continue their COS service if indefinitely. However, GTE has recently filed a tariff in tariff proceeding 9900289 in which GTE proposes to eliminate COS for the Peace Valley / West Plains route effective December 9, 1998. The Mid-Missouri Group, and in particular Peace Valley, would like to have the issues surrounding the elimination date for COS decided in

time to provide accurate and timely customer information.

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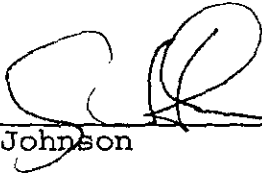
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