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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 October, 1994.

In the matter of the establishment of a plan for)
expanded calling scopes in metropolitan and outstate) Case No. TO-92-306
exchanges.)

ORDER GRANTING WAIVER OF OUTSTATE CALLING AREA
IN CERTAIN CROSS-STATE BOUNDARY EXCHANGES

On December 23, 1992, the Commission issued a Report And Order in which it established expanded calling scope plans for the state of Missouri. One of the plans ordered local exchange companies (LECs) to provide Outstate Calling Area (OCA) service to exchanges outside of the three metropolitan areas. In the Report And Order the Commission found that all customers in outstate exchanges should have the opportunity to subscribe to OCA but authorized LECs to file for waivers for exchanges that cross state boundaries if technical problems existed with providing OCA service. ***Expanded Calling Scope Plans***, Report And Order issued December 23, 1992, page 50.

On July 14, 1994, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWB) filed a request for a waiver of the OCA requirement for three exchanges, Blytheville, South Hamburg, and South Mount Sterling. SWB states that for the Blytheville exchange, which is on the Missouri-Arkansas border, there are no other Missouri exchanges within a 23-mile radius which are in the same Local Access and Transport Area (LATA), and therefore OCA would provide no benefit to customers in that exchange.

SWB states that the South Hamburg exchange is in a similar situation to the Blytheville exchange except it is on the Missouri-Iowa border. The exchange is in an Iowa LATA and there are no exchanges in the Iowa LATA located

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within 23 miles of South Hamburg. Implementation therefore would be of no benefit to customers in that exchange.

The South Mount Sterling exchange is also a Missouri-Iowa exchange. SWB states that Van Buren Telephone Company is the LEC and SWB is the Primary Toll Carrier for the South Mount Sterling exchange, and there are no Missouri customers residing in the exchange at the present time and so there is no demand for OCA service.

On July 25, 1994, Commission Staff filed a recommendation in response to SWB's waiver requests. Staff recommends the waivers be granted.

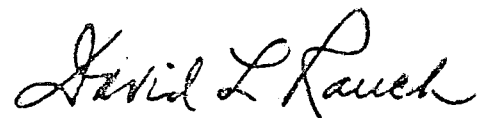
The Commission has reviewed the waiver requests and finds they are reasonable. The Commission recognized in the Report And Order that waivers might be necessary in limited circumstances and the circumstances involved in the three exchanges indicate that it would not be reasonable to require implementation. The Commission also understands that the technical committee looked at these issues and agreed that waivers were appropriate in certain circumstances.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That Southwestern Bell Telephone Company is hereby granted a waiver from the requirement to provide Outstate Calling Area service in its Blytheville, South Hamburg and South Mount Sterling exchanges.

2. That this order shall become effective on the 8th day of November, 1994.

BY THE COMMISSION



David L. Rauch
Executive Secretary

(S E A L)

McClure, Perkins, Kincheloe
and Crumpton, CC., concur.
Mueller, Chm., absent.