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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 8th  
day of April, 1999.

In the Matter of GTE Midwest Incorporated's, )  
Tariff to Delete the Switched Access Equal Access ) Case No. TT-99-389  
Cost Recovery Charge Rate Element and Requesting ) (Tariff File 9900677)  
Expedited Approval. )

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

GTE Midwest Incorporated (GTE) submitted a tariff filing on March 12, 1999 for approval, with the effective date of April 12, 1999. GTE's filing deletes the switched access equal access cost recovery charge rate element. GTE does not state whether there will be a customer impact resulting from the proposed changes. GTE states in its cover letter filed with the tariff that expedited approval is requested. No motions to suspend the tariff and no applications to intervene were filed.

The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) filed a memorandum on March 26, 1999. Staff states that the equal access cost recovery charge was a temporary rate element, applied to recover the costs of implementation of intraLATA equal access. In case number TT-96-398, GTE was authorized to collect the charge until August 2000. However, GTE informed Staff in a memo dated March 17, 1999, that this cost had already been recovered. Staff states that it has no objections to GTE's proposed tariff filing in this case or its request for expedited

approval. Finally, Staff recommends the Commission approve the filing to eliminate the charge to GTE's customers without delay.

The Commission finds that GTE's tariff filing is reasonable, in the public interest and should be approved. The Commission also finds that this approval should be expedited and the tariff approved in less than 30 days.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That the tariff sheets numbered 9900677 filed by GTE Midwest Incorporated on March 12, 1999 are approved for service on and after April 12, 1999. The tariff sheets approved are:

P.S.C. MO No. 2

5<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet 5, Cancels 4<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet 5  
5<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet 7, Cancels 4<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet 7  
5<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet 67, Cancels 4<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet 67  
5<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet 69, Cancels 4<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet 69  
5<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet 125, Cancels 4<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet 125  
4<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet 128, Cancels 3<sup>rd</sup> Revised Sheet 128  
3<sup>rd</sup> Revised Sheet 153, Cancels 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Sheet 153

2. That this order shall become effective on April 8, 1999.

3. That this case may be closed on April 9, 1999.

**BY THE COMMISSION**

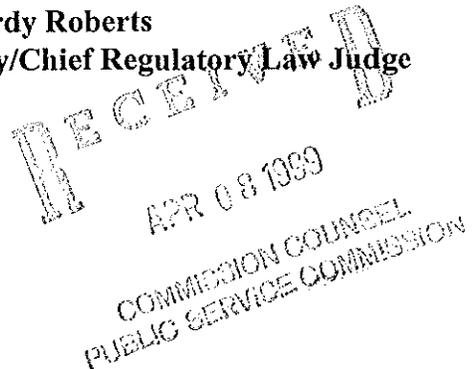


**Dale Hardy Roberts**  
**Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

( S E A L )

Lumpe, Ch., Crumpton, Murray,  
Schemenauer, and Drainer, CC., concur

Hopkins, Senior Regulatory Law Judge



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