STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 20th day of November, 1995.

In the matter of the request for community)	
optional service from Kingdom Telephone's)	CASE NO. TO-96-73
Auxvasse exchange to Southwestern Bell)	
Telephone's Mexico exchange.)	

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 September 13, 1995, the Commission received a petition signed by the residents of the Auxvasse exchange requesting COS from the Auxvasse exchange to the Mexico exchange. Kingdom Telephone Company (Kingdom) is the LEC for the Auxvasse exchange and Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Bell) is the LEC for the Mexico exchange. Bell is also the assigned PTC for this route.

On September 29, 1995, the Commission directed Kingdom to perform a calling usage study to ascertain whether a sufficient community of interest exists between these exchanges. On October 5, 1995, Kingdom filed the results of the calling usage study performed in said exchanges. The results of said study are as follows:

Original Exchange	Terminating Exchange	Average Calls Per <u>Access Line</u>	Percent Making <u>2+ Calls</u>
Auxvasse	Mexico	11.12	66.92.

On November 8, 1995, the Staff of the Commission filed a memorandum recommending that COS be implemented between Auxvasse and Mexico exchange by December 21, 1995.

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 Auxvasse exchange and the Mexico exchange no later than December 21, 1995.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That Kingdom Telephone Company and Southwestern Bell Telephone Company shall implement community optional service between the Auxvasse exchange and the Mexico exchange no later than December 21, 1995.
 - 2. That this Order shall become effective on November 30, 1995.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Executive Secretary

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