STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 21st day of July, 1998.

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munications Companies' Modernization Plans) Case No. TO-93-309 Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-32.100.) In the Matter of the Joint Application of GTE) Midwest Incorporated and Cass County Telephone) Company for Authority to Transfer and Acquire) Case No. TM-95-163 Part of GTE Midwest Incorporated's Missouri) Franchise, Facilities or System Located in the) State of Missouri.))

In the Matter of the Local Exchange Telecom-

ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO CEASE FILING OF MONTHLY STATUS REPORTS

The Commission granted an extension of time for the filing of a Modernization Plan by Cass County Telephone Company (Cass County) on December 9, 1997. This extension was necessary as Cass County was awaiting a response from the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) on its request for a waiver of 47 C.F.R. §§ 36.612(a) or 36.631(d). This waiver would enable Cass County to obtain federal Universal Service Fund (USF) support for its modernization efforts. As part of the Order Granting Extension of Time to Complete Modernization Plan, the Commission required Cass County to file monthly updates on the status of its progress in obtaining the requested FCC waiver.

On April 7, 1998, Cass County filed a Corrected Cass County Telephone Company's Update on Status of Request for Federal Communications Commission Waiver (Update). In the Update, Cass County reported to the Commission that on March 13 the FCC had denied Cass County's waiver request. Cass County also asked the Commission to end the monthly update filing requirement put in place by its December 9, 1997 order.

The Commission has reviewed Cass County's request and finds that it should be granted. The Commission finds that Cass County has successfully complied with the filing requirement and, since the waiver has been denied by the FCC, no further update on its status is necessary.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That Cass County Telephone Company's request for an end to the monthly update filing requirement regarding the status of its requested FCC waiver is granted.

2. That this order shall become effective on July 31, 1998.

BY THE COMMISSION

Hole Hardy Roberts

Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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

Harper, Regulatory Law Judge

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