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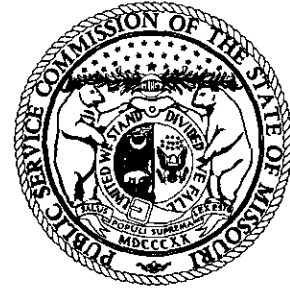
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Notice of *Ex Parte* Contact

TO: Records Department: All Parties in Case No. TW-97-333
All Commissioners

FROM: Chairman Sheila Lumpe

DATE: January 20, 1998



On **January 16, 1998**, I received the attached document from **Mary E. Graham**. The Commission is currently considering the same issues as to those set out in this document in Case No. **TW-97-333**. The Commission is bound by the same *ex parte* rule as a court of law.

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cc: Executive Director
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ATTN: Sheila Lumpe, Chair

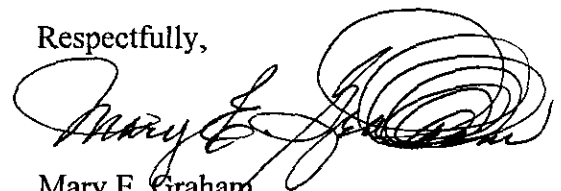
REF: Flat rates for local long distance - COS

The purpose of this letter is to request the availability of the referenced rates be reconsidered by the Commission. Rural areas need the advantage of having flat rates or lower rates for long distance calling. In order to carry on our business, just about every business call we make is out of our "local" number area. We have enough other constraints in doing business from our rural locations, therefore we need help with these rates.

We understand the federal government has mandated free enterprise with the telephone suppliers. However, each supplier can offer their own method of supplying flat rate local long distance - if they know there is a state requirement or recommendation to this effect. This can be an incentive for suppliers who want to increase their customer base in the rural areas.

Thank you for this opportunity to communicate our needs to you.

Respectfully,



Mary E. Graham
President

cc: Rep. Delbert Scott



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Mary E. Graham
Lake Area Chamber of Commerce
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Dear Ms. Graham:

The Commission appreciates knowing your opinion.

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Sincerely,

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Sheila Lumpe

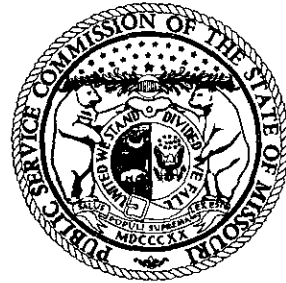
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cc: Executive Director
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge
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Harrison Farms/Structural Movers

HCR 85, Box 255a

Buffalo, Mo. 65622

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CHAIRMAN'S OFFICE

January 13, 1998

Dear Ms. Lumpe:

In a recent issue of *Successful Farming*, they reported that "Missouri is one of the nation's leading agricultural states. With 104,000 farms, it ranks second only to Texas in total number of farms". Your recent decision regarding GTE's Community Option Service will hurt many farms throughout the state. In our case, we will lose our COS to Springfield. The loss of this plan will adversely effect our farm financially and personally our quality of life.

Furthermore your decision to leave the Metropolitan Plan but not the Community Option Plan, is discriminating toward the farming community and rural residents. This decision will also put many rural telecommuters out of business. I urge you to reconsider your decision.

Sincerely,



**Joy M. Harrison
Harrison Farms**

Joy M. Harrison, 04:24 PM 1/16/98 , No Subject

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Harrison Farms/Structural Movers
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January 13, 1998

Dear Ms. Murray:

My husband and I own a farm in Dallas County. The Public Service Commission's recent decision resulting in the elimination of GTE's Community Option Service is discriminating against rural residents. In our case we will lose our COS plan to Springfield. The loss of this plan will adversely effect our farm financially and personally our quality of life.

Furthermore, this decision will put many telecommuters out of business. I urge you to repeal the your decision.

Joy Harrison



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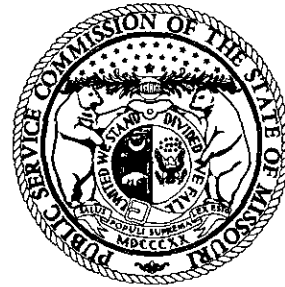
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cc: Executive Director
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Edward E. Post

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CHAIRMAN'S OFFICE

Sheila Lumpe, Chairperson
Missouri Public Service Commission
P.O. Box 360
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Dear Chairperson Lumpe,

I am writing in regard to the commission's decision on COS. I live in the country outside of Bronaugh, Mo., a very small community in the southwest part of the state. It seems as though we're always the last to get any of today's modern conveniences. We got rural water about 30 years ago and evolved from the old crank phone about 20 years ago. Our phone company is GTE. When the computer age hit I assumed I'd be in a nursing home before we had access to the Internet in Bronaugh.

Then came COS and an Internet service in Nevada, our county seat 16 miles away. Nevada is serviced by Southwestern Bell. For \$16.25 a month I can call to and from Nevada, where I do most of my business. For \$16.95 a month I have Internet access through Nevada. For less than \$34 a month I have access to the information highway. Without COS I have no other options. The Internet is new to our area. Its catching on. More and more people in Bronaugh and neighboring Moundville are wanting to subscribe to COS so they can afford the net.

I am secretary of the Bronaugh R-7 school board, president of the board and fire chief of the Bronaugh Fire Assn., member of the Vernon County FSA committee, vice chairman of the board and layleader of the Bronaugh Methodist church, and a self-employed farmer/rancher. I use the Internet extensively to access and send information pertaining to each of these positions to which I have committed myself. I could go into detail and will if necessary at another time. I have two children in highschool and one in college. Assuming you're an intelligent person, you know what a valuable educational tool the Internet is for them.

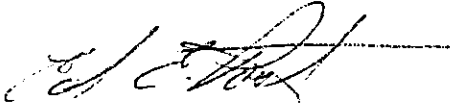
President Clinton recently stated that he wanted every household to have access to the information highway. We have it! Your commission is taking it away!

I'm not sure whose pocket is getting padded by this decision, but there must be more involved than ignorance. Even if we had other options available, those options would be hard pressed to compete with COS. It is my opinion that other companies that can't compete want a piece of the

pie and are twisting arms to get it. You are not encouraging competition with your decision. You are discouraging it!

Last year we had an old 286 computer that would handle adequately most of my farm records and allow the kids to do their reports and themes. With COS and the availability of the net we spent a couple of thousand and bought a new, big, fancy, Internet ready computer to enable us to fully utilize the information highway. Without COS most of its fancy options would be useless to us. Come March 31 I hope I don't have to sell it at a deregulated, competitive, reasonable price! I know it's probably best to leave lowlife country people in the dark, but I do hope PSC doesn't decide next to cut off our electricity and put us completely in the dark!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'E. E. Post', with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Edward E. Post



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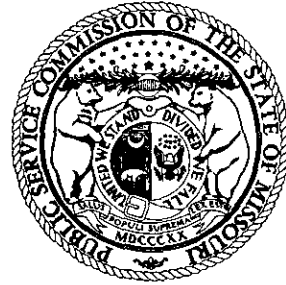
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CHAIRMAN'S OFFICE

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
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ATT: SHEILA LUMPE

DEAR SHEILA:

I AM WRITING TO YOU TO LET YOU KNOW OF MY OPPOSITION WITH YOUR COMMISSIONS PLAN TO DO AWAY WITH THE COMMUNITY OPTIONAL CALLING SERVICE IN MY AREA. I LIVE IN MACKS CREEK, MO AND CALL CAMDENTON AND IT'S SURROUNDING AREAS MANY TIMES A DAY. IT WOULD HURT ME FINANCIALLY TO HAVE PAY A TOLL CALL TO CAMDENTON FOR EACH CALL.

I THOUGHT YOUR OFFICE WAS SUPPOSED TO LOOK AFTER THE INTEREST OF THE PUBLIC NOT BIG BUSINESS? IF THE COS IS STOPPING THE COMPETITIVE MARKET, THEN WHY ARE EACH OF THE PHONE COMPANIES ALLOWED ALL OF THE DIFFERENT RATES AND CALLING PLANS? WOULDN'T THE COS BE A SELLING TOOL FOR EACH OF THE COMPANIES AS IS THEIR CALLING PLANS THAT THEY ADVERTISE AND BOTHER US WITH DAILY?

I KNOW I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW THIS BUSINESS WORKS, BUT I'M TELLING YOU THAT IT IS NOT FAIR TO TAKE THIS AWAY FROM US. FOR ONCE, WE THE CONSUMER WAS ALLOWED A BREAK, AND NOW THAT IS BEING TAKEN AWAY. I'M TIRED OF BEING SACRIFICED FOR BIG BUSINESS. WHAT ABOUT US THE WORKING PUBLIC THAT STRUGGLE TO HOLD THIS COUNTRY TOGETHER?

I ASK THAT YOU PLEASE RECONSIDER THIS DECISION.

THANK YOU KINDLY,

LINDA SMOTHERS



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Linda Smothers
Smothers Insurance Services
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Camdenton, MO 65020

Dear Ms. Smothers:

The Commission appreciates knowing your opinion.

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