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At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 25th day of November, 1997.

In the Matter of the Request for Community )  
Optional Service from GTE Midwest Incorporated's )  
Rockaway Beach Exchange to GTE Midwest Incor- ) **Case No. TO-97-468**  
porated's Forsyth, Branson and Highlandville )  
Exchanges. )  
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### ORDER OF DISMISSAL

The Commission received a petition for Community Optional Service (COS) from GTE Midwest Incorporated's (GTE's) Rockaway Beach exchange to the Forsyth, Branson, and Highlandville exchanges, also served by GTE. The Commission issued an order staying further proceedings in the case until resolution of Case No. TW-97-333 in which the Commission was to consider the future of COS service in a competitive basic local telecommunications environment.

The Commission issued its order in TW-97-333 on October 16, finding that COS service should be discontinued throughout the state by March 31, 1998, and directing that all pending petitions for the service be dismissed. The Commission denied the motions filed for clarification and rehearing on November 18. Accordingly, this case shall be dismissed.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That the petition for COS service filed in this case is dismissed in accordance with the Commission's order in Case No. TW-97-333.
2. That this order shall become effective on December 5, 1997.

3. That this case shall be closed on December 6, 1997.

**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Cecil I. Wright". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**Cecil I. Wright  
Executive Secretary**

( S E A L )

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

Wickliffe, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge