COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF GTE SOUTH INCORPORATED

FOR A CERTIFICTE THAT PUBLIC CONVENIENCE

AND NECESSITY REQUIRE THT THE ACQUISITION

BY IT OF A FRANCHISE FOR THE USE OF

PUBLIC STREETS IN THE TERRITORIAL LIMITS

OF THE CITY OF BURKESVILLE, KENTUCKY

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ORDER

On August 16, 1988, GTE South Incorporated ("GTE") filed with the Commission its application seeking a certificate of convenience and necessity to qualify it to bid on a telephone franchise in the city of Burkesville, Kentucky. Under the provisions of KRS 278.020(3), no utility may apply for a franchise from any governmental agency until it has obtained a certificate of convenience and necessity from this Commission based on our finding that there is a need and demand for the services sought to be rendered.

The Commission finds that there is a need and demand for telephone service in the above mentioned city. Since the Commission's authority in such matters is limited by statute to finding only whether there is a need and demand for the service sought 'to be rendered, no finding or determination is made as to the validity of any of the provisions of the franchise offered by said city or the manner in which any franchise fee is to be treated for rate purposes.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. GTE be and it hereby is granted a certificate of convenience and necessity which authorizes it to bid on a telephone franchise in the above mentioned city.
- 2. GTE, if it becomes the successful bidder, shall file with this Commission two copies of the said franchise.
- 3. This Order shall not be construed as granting a certificate of convenience and necessity to construct utility facilities in the said city.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 17th day of August, 1988.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman D. January

Vice Chairman

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ATTEST:

Executive Director