

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

PETITION OF GTE SOUTH INCORPORATED AND)
CONTEL OF KENTUCKY, INC., D/B/A GTE) CASE NO.
KENTUCKY FOR EXEMPTION OF ITS) 92-358
TELEMESSAGING SERVICES FROM REGULATION)

O R D E R

The Commission, on its own motion, HEREBY ORDERS that:

1. A hearing is scheduled for August 24, 1993, at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, in Hearing Room 1 of the Commission's offices at 730 Schenkel Lane, Frankfort, Kentucky, in the above-referenced proceeding.

2. GTE South Incorporated and Contel of Kentucky, Inc. d/b/a GTE Kentucky ("GTE Kentucky") shall, no later than August 3, 1993, file with the Commission and all other parties testimony which lists all witnesses who will testify and addresses the following issues to be presented at the hearing:

(a) The extent to which competing telecommunication services are available from competitive providers in GTE Kentucky's market.

(b) The existing ability and willingness of competitive providers to make functionally equivalent or substitute services readily available.

(c) The number and size of competitive providers of service.

(d) The overall impact of the regulatory change proposed by GTE Kentucky on the continued availability of existing services at just and reasonable rates.

(e) The existence of adequate safeguards to assure that the rates for services regulated pursuant to KRS Chapter 278 did not subsidize exempted services.

(f) The impact of the regulatory change proposed by GTE Kentucky upon efforts to promote universal availability of basic telecommunication services at affordable rates.

(g) The impact of the regulatory change proposed by GTE Kentucky upon the need of telecommunication companies subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission to respond to competition.

(h) Whether the exercise of Commission jurisdiction inhibits a regulated utility from competing with unregulated providers of functionally similar telecommunication services or products.

(i) The overall impact on customers of the proposed change to streamline regulatory treatment of small or non-profit carriers.

(j) Any other factors that GTE Kentucky wishes the Commission to determine to be in the public interest.

3. Intervenors shall, no later than August 17, 1993, file with the Commission and all of the parties a prehearing memorandum which identifies the issues to be presented at the hearing, lists all witnesses who will testify at the hearing on its behalf, lists

the qualifications of each witness, and summarizes each witness' expected testimony.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 28th day of June, 1993.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


For the Commission

ATTEST:


Executive Director