

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Petition of Teresa Dye)
and Numerous Other Subscribers of the)
Barlow Exchange of GTE North Incorporated,)
)

Complainants,)

v.)

Case No. 95-958-TP-PEX

GTE North Incorporated, Ameritech Ohio,)
and Western Reserve Telephone Company,)
)

Respondents,)

Relative to a Request for Two-Way, Nonop-)
tional, Extended Area Service Between the)
Barlow Exchange of GTE North Incorporated)
and the Belpre and Little Hocking Ex-)
changes of Ameritech Ohio and Western)
Reserve Telephone Company, Respectively.)

ENTRY ON REHEARING

The Commission finds:

- (1) On May 2, 1996, a Finding and Order was issued in this case approving a stipulation which recommended that measured-rate extended area service (EAS) be instituted in the affected exchanges. However, in the stipulation, the parties had agreed that EAS should be implemented within 16 months. No explanation was given on the record for such a departure from the Commission's long-standing practice of requiring implementation within one year of an order granting EAS. Consequently, a 12-month implementation schedule was ordered.
- (2) On May 8, 1996, GTE North (GTE) filed an application for rehearing of the May 2, 1996 Finding and Order.
- (3) In the memorandum in support of the application for rehearing, GTE requests that the Commission allow 14 months, or until the end of June 1997, for implementation of the stipulated EAS. GTE states that it is currently scheduled to change

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out the central office switch which serves its Barlow Exchange in June 1997. Further, GTE states that, if it is required to implement EAS prior to the switch change out, it will have to purchase a piece of equipment called "Call Pro" to enable the existing electro-mechanical switch to provide EAS, and that this piece of equipment will be utilized for only two months, or until the new switch is installed. GTE maintains that it will save between \$50,000.00 and \$60,00.00 if EAS is implemented after the installation of the new switch.

- (4) In light of the explanation for the requested extension of time to implement EAS service, the Commission finds that the date for implementation of service should be extended to June 30, 1997.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That implementation of EAS service in this matter occur on or before June 30, 1997. It is, further,

ORDERED, That copies of this entry be served upon all parties of record.

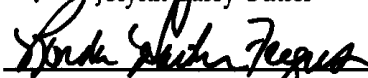
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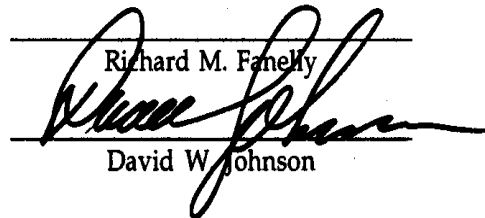
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