

Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Application of)
)
GTE North Incorporated) File No. W-P-D-422
)
To discontinue service over facilities)
located in the State of Michigan,)
pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 214.)

ORDER AND CERTIFICATE

Adopted: September 18, 1997

Released: September 19, 1997

By the Chief, Network Services Division, Common Carrier Bureau:

1. On June 25, 1997, GTE North Incorporated amended the above-referenced application (the "application") that had been filed June 12, 1997 pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 214, and Part 63 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. Part 63. In the amended application GTE North Incorporated seeks (1) Commission authority to discontinue service over certain facilities, title to which will be transferred to PTI Communications of Michigan, Inc., in eight Michigan exchanges (Cedarville, Detour, Garden, Gulliver, Kinross, Manistique, Pickford and Rudyard). GTE North Incorporated also seeks waivers of Rules 63.90, concerning the publication and posting of notices, and 63.505(l), concerning toll message volume and revenue. No comments or oppositions were filed in response to our public notice of the application published on July 9, 1997.

2. Having reviewed the application, we find that it complies with the requirements of Section 214 of the Communications Act and Part 63 of our rules. Furthermore, for the reasons stated in the application, we find that the transactions described will not adversely affect the present or the future public convenience and necessity.

3. Accordingly, **IT IS ORDERED**, pursuant to Sections 0.91 and 0.291 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.91 and 0.291, that Sections 63.90 and 63.505(l) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 63.90, 63.505(l), **ARE WAIVED** and the above-referenced application, File No. W-P-D-422, **IS GRANTED**. GTE North Incorporated **IS AUTHORIZED** to discontinue service over the facilities described in this application.

4. This Order and Certificate **IS EFFECTIVE** upon release. Failure of the applicant to decline the authorization in writing within thirty-one days from the release date will be construed as formal acceptance.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION



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