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In the Matter of)
) CC Docket No. 98-79
GTE Telephone Operating Companies)
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GTOC Tariff FCC No. 1)
GTOC Transmittal FCC No. 1148)

GTE MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

GTE Service Corporation and its affiliated domestic telephone operating companies (collectively, "GTE") respectfully request an extension of time until September 8, 1998 to file the Direct Case in the above-captioned proceeding.

On August 20, 1998, the Chief of the Common Carrier Bureau issued an Order Designating Issues for Investigation¹ to determine whether GTE's DSL service offering is a jurisdictionally interstate service. GTE has been preparing its Direct Case but has found that it is unable to compile the necessary facts and legal arguments in the two weeks given for filing the Direct Case. Because it is essential that the Commission receive a full and complete filing, GTE believes that the public interest will be served by the brief extension requested.

¹ GTE Telephone Operators, GTOC Tariff No. 1, GTOC Transmittal No. 1148, CC Docket No. 98-70, Order Designating Issues for Investigation (CCB August 20, 1998)("Designation Order").

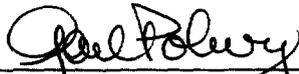
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GTE proposes that if the Commission grants this requested extension that it also adjust the filing periods for Oppositions or Comments to September 18 and Replies to September 23. Because of the relatively short deadlines, GTE will fax a copy of its Direct Case to any party who so requests by contacting the undersigned counsel and asks that the Commission require that any Opposition or Comments filed on September 18 be faxed to the undersigned counsel.

Dated: September 3, 1998

Respectfully submitted,

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