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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Commission
FROM: Claudia Sainsot, Administrative Law Judge
DATE: April 1, 2004
SUBJECT: Southside Telephone Service, Inc

Petition for Withdrawal of Service Authority to Provide Customer-Owned Pay Telephone Service (COPTS) within the State of Illinois.

RECOMMENDATION: Enter the attached Order Granting the Request for Withdrawal of Certificate of Service Authority.

Southside Telephone Service, Inc. ("Southside") seeks to withdraw its Certificate of Service Authority, granted in Docket No. 89-0045 to provide customer-owned pay telephone service in Illinois. The services Southside offers are available from other pay-phone carriers. Therefore, discontinuance of service by Southside will not deprive Illinois customers of any necessary telecommunications services and it is not otherwise contrary to the public interest.

Accordingly, I recommend that the Commission enter the attached Order granting the relief requested in petition.

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