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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Commission

FROM: Eve Moran, Administrative Law Judge

DATE: October 17, 2003

SUBJECT: Illinois Bell Telephone Company (SBC Illinois) and Budget Phone, Inc.

Joint Petition for Approval of Second Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement dated August 18, 2003, pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252.

RECOMMENDATION: Enter attached Order granting approval.

On September 2, 2003, Illinois Bell Telephone Company (SBC Illinois) and Budget Phone, Inc. (Budget), filed a petition seeking approval of the Second Amendment to their Interconnection Agreement.

By virtue of the undisputed allegations in Staff's motion, the Commission is informed that the Amendment at hand is, in all material respects, the same as that previously reviewed by Staff and approved by the Commission in other dockets.

This Order validates the ALJ's decision, under the circumstances, to dispense with certain customary formalities, i.e., the holding of hearings and the filing of a Staff verified statement.

In sum, this Order grants the approval being sought on the basis of the pleadings and further authorizes the marking of the record as "Heard and Taken" on the date of its entry. It is recommended that the Commission adopt the instant Order.

Note: The instant Order mirrors the Order in Docket 03-0533 that the Commission adopted and entered on October 8, 2003.

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