

Docket No.: 00-0673
Bench Date: 11/21/00
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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Commission

FROM: Claudia Sainsot, Hearing Examiner

DATE: November 6, 2000

SUBJECT: Illinois Bell Telephone Company (Ameritech Illinois)
and McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc.

Joint Petition for Approval of Merger Amendment to
the Resale Agreement dated August 17, 2000,
pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252.

RECOMMENDATION: Enter Order Approving the Negotiated Agreement.

This matter concerns Commission approval of an amendment, dated August 17, 2000, to a Negotiated Agreement between Ameritech Illinois and McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc. The Agreement amends an Agreement that was approved in ICC Docket 97-NA-020. The amendment modifies certain items in the original Agreement to reflect changes in the law due to FCC orders. No petitions for leave to intervene were filed and there were no contested issues in this docket. Petitioners' Agreement does not discriminate against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the Agreement and implementation of the Agreement would not be contrary to the public interest, convenience and necessity.

Accordingly, I recommend that the Agreement be approved.

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