

BEFORE THE

**Illinois Commerce Commission**

DOCKET NO. 00-0017 &  
00-0018  
CONSOLIDATED

IN THE MATTER OF:

ILLINOIS BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY  
(Ameritech Illinois) and  
COMM SOUTH COMPANIES, INC.

PLACE: Springfield, Illinois

DATE: January 27, 2000

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(Ameritech Illinois) and ) 00-0017  
COMM SOUTH COMPANIES, INC. )

Joint Petition for Approval of )  
Illinois Merger Amendment to the )  
Negotiated Interconnection ) CONSOLIDATED  
Agreement dated November 18, 1999 )  
pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 252.)

ILLINOIS BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY ) DOCKET NO.  
(AMERITECH ILLINOIS) and ) 00-0018  
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Joint Petition for Approval for )  
the Promotional Resale Discount )  
Amendment to the Negotiated )  
Interconnection Agreement dated )  
November 18, 1999, pursuant to )  
47 U.S.C. Section 252.)

Springfield, Illinois  
January 27, 2000

Met, pursuant to notice, at 9:45 A.M.

BEFORE:

MR. JOHN ALBERS, Examiner

SULLIVAN REPORTING COMPANY, by  
Cheryl A. Davis, Reporter, #084-001662

## 1 APPEARANCES:

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6 (Appearing on behalf of Ameritech Illinois  
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12 (Appearing on behalf of the Staff of the  
13 Illinois Commerce Commission)

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(None)

EXHIBITS    MARKED                      ADMITTED  
Staff 1 & 2    7    6/7



1 others wishing to enter an appearance.

2 Are there any preliminary matters?

3 MR. HARVEY: There is the preliminary matter  
4 that pursuant to an off-the-record discussion, it's  
5 my understanding that Ms. Jorgensen is willing to  
6 stipulate to the admission of Staff exhibits I guess  
7 properly it would be numbered 1 and 2 in this  
8 proceeding.

9 EXAMINER ALBERS: Before we get to that,  
10 Ms. Jorgensen, did you --

11 MS. JORGENSEN: Yes. I move to consolidate  
12 Dockets 0017 and 0018 inasmuch as they involve the  
13 same carriers.

14 EXAMINER ALBERS: Any objection?

15 MR. HARVEY: None.

16 EXAMINER ALBERS: That motion is granted.

17 Just real quick though, what kind of  
18 service does Comm South provide? Can someone tell me  
19 that?

20 MS. JORGENSEN: Well, --

21 MS. VANDERLAAN: It's resale.

22 MS. JORGENSEN: Can we go off the record a

1 second?

2 EXAMINER ALBERS: Okay. Off the record.

3 (Whereupon at this point in  
4 the proceedings an  
5 off-the-record discussion  
6 transpired.)

7 EXAMINER ALBERS: Back on the record.

8 Do we have an answer to that question  
9 then? Is it resale that Comm South provides?

10 MS. JORGENSEN: I understand that Comm South  
11 provides resale services.

12 EXAMINER ALBERS: Okay.

13 And as Mr. Harvey indicated a few moments  
14 ago, it appears that Ameritech and Staff are willing  
15 to stipulate to both of the verified statements. Is  
16 that correct, Ms. Jorgensen?

17 MS. JORGENSEN: Correct.

18 EXAMINER ALBERS: And, for the record, we can  
19 mark the verified statement in 0017 as Staff Exhibit  
20 1 and the verified statement filed for 0018 as Staff  
21 Exhibit 2, and if both parties are willing to  
22 stipulate, then Staff Exhibits 1 and 2 are admitted.

1 (Whereupon Staff Exhibits 1  
2 and 2 were marked for  
3 identification and received  
4 into evidence.)

5 EXAMINER ALBERS: And does either party have  
6 anything else they'd like to add today?

7 MR. HARVEY: I would just add, Mr. Examiner,  
8 that the two verified statements in each case, just  
9 for the record, Staff recommends the approval of the  
10 negotiated agreements at issue in these matters.

11 EXAMINER ALBERS: Certainly, and does Ameritech  
12 accept the conditions on implementation that Staff  
13 recommends?

14 MS. JORGENSEN: Yes, we do.

15 EXAMINER ALBERS: Okay. Anything further?

16 MS. JORGENSEN: Nothing for Ameritech.

17 MR. HARVEY: Nothing from Staff.

18 EXAMINER ALBERS: All right. Then I'll mark  
19 this matter Heard and Taken.

20 HEARD AND TAKEN

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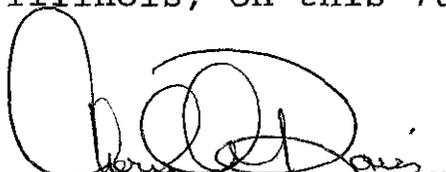
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14 the hearing on the above-entitled case on the 27th  
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18 proceedings directed by the Commission or other  
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21 Dated at Springfield, Illinois, on this 7th day  
22 of February, A.D., 2000.

  
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