

**Docket No.:** 02-0869  
**Bench Date:** 03-12-03  
**Deadline:** 03-31-03

**MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** The Commission

**FROM:** Larry Jones, Administrative Law Judge

**DATE:** February 28, 2003

**SUBJECT:** Citizens Telecommunications Company of Illinois and Level 3 Communications, LLC ("Level 3")

Joint Petition for Approval of Interconnection Agreement pursuant to 47 U.S.C. §252.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Entry of the attached draft order approving the proposed agreement, subject to certain conditions regarding implementation.

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The instant petition seeks approval of an Interconnection Agreement between the parties. Among other things, the Agreement contains terms and conditions that govern the transport of local traffic and ISP-bound traffic of the other carrier. It also contains terms and conditions applicable to central office physical collocation, and an Interconnection Caged/Cageless Collocation Pricing list. The Agreement will remain in effect for one year, and will thereafter continue in effect for consecutive one-year periods unless cancelled by either party.

The deadline for action is March 31, 2003.

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