

Docket No.: 03-0051
Bench Date: 04-09-03
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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Commission

FROM: William J. Showtis, Administrative Law Judge

DATE: March 24, 2003

SUBJECT: Illinois Bell Telephone Company (Ameritech Illinois) and Vertex Broadband Corp.

Joint Petition for Approval of Negotiated Agreement dated June 19, 2002, pursuant to 47 U.S.C. §252.

RECOMMENDATION: Grant the joint notice of withdrawal of joint petition without prejudice.

On March 17, 2003 Illinois Bell Telephone Company (Ameritech Illinois) and Vertex Broadband Corp. ("Vertex") filed a joint notice of withdrawal of the joint petition. The joint notice states that Ameritech Illinois and Vertex have determined to make certain changes to the Agreement, and will file a new joint petition for approval of the revised Agreement.

I recommend that the joint notice of withdrawal of the joint petition be granted and that this docket be dismissed without prejudice by a docket entry.

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