

MEMORANDUM

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TO: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File
Case No. TO-97-523
Southwestern Bell Telephone Company
Ameritech Mobile Communications, Inc.

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SUBJECT: Staff's Recommendation to Approve the Amendment to the
Interconnection Agreement between Southwestern Bell Telephone
Company and Ameritech Mobile Communications, Inc.

DATE: August 22, 1997

On June 4, 1997, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWBT) and Ameritech Mobile Communications, Inc. (AMC) (collectively referred to as the Parties) submitted an Agreement for Interconnection and Reciprocal Compensation (Agreement) to the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) for approval. On August 22, 1997, the Parties submitted an amendment to the Agreement pursuant to a request the Telecommunications Department Staff (Staff) made in its initial recommendation dated August 12, 1997. Staff requested the parties include language in the Agreement similar to the language found in interconnection agreement between SWBT and AT&T Wireless in Case No. TO-97-474. The SWBT/AT&T agreement included the sentence,

SWBT agrees that it will not block traffic involving Third Party Providers with whom Carrier has not reached an agreement.

SWBT and AMC propose to incorporate the exact same language into section 3.1.3 of the Agreement (page 10).

Staff now believes that the Agreement submitted between AMC and SWBT meets the limited requirements of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. The Agreement does not appear to be against the public interest, convenience and necessity, and the Agreement does not discriminate against third parties. Staff is not aware of any other filings, except those discussed in the recommendation dated August 12, 1997, that would affect or would be affected by this Agreement.

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