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Public Service Commission**

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To: Participants in the Market Conditions Collaborative

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Market Conditions:

The Commission staff has the following recommendations based on Ameritech Michigan's March 13, 2000 proposal regarding General Market Conditions:

1. The FCC's Local Competition Survey should be utilized as the base for needed competitive information (the cover sheet and table of contents from this report are included herein). In particular the information contained in the Section III tables in that report should be solicited by Staff or the MPSC from Ameritech and licensed CLECs in this state. Information will not be solicited from other ILECs operating in Michigan since competition in Ameritech service areas is the focus of this survey. To the extent that this information has already been provided to the FCC by some providers, copies of the FCC submissions will suffice for state purposes.
 2. Staff will review the FCC survey questions to assure that information on lines served via UNE loops, UNE-P and resale are separated since this separation will provide a more complete picture of the degree of competition in the state. Information on competitive lines served totally over a CLEC's own facilities will also be sought. Furthermore, Staff recommends that the information be solicited on a LATA basis. NOTE: although some of the items contained in Attachment B to Ameritech's March 13, 2000 filing may be the appropriate questions to generate the required information, Sections III, IV and V of that questionnaire do not appear to be needed at this time and may not be available in any case from LECs licensed in this state.
 3. Ameritech will be required to submit its estimate of CLEC operations in the state as a check for the CLEC-provided information. Bell Atlantic filed all of this type of information in its 271 proceeding.
1. Staff recommends that no protective order is needed since access to confidential market information of each provider need only be accessed by the Commission and its Staff for purposes of this proceeding. There was no protective order for Ameritech's prior 271 filing. The data and information was filed with the Commission's Executive Secretary under confidential cover per the

provisions in the Michigan Telecommunications Act (MTA) and staff is able to review and analyze the materials. Only aggregated numbers would then be reported publicly.

2. In a recent survey, the MPSC staff has collected other information from CLECs. The type of information that was collected consisted of: name, type of service(s) provided, if registered with MPSC, if not currently providing service, then when, area codes served, category of customers (residential, business), how many customers they are providing basic local exchange service to (residential, business). Staff will use this data so as not to duplicate our efforts. In addition information contained in other parts of the FCC's Local Competition Survey may be utilized but need not be separately solicited by the MPSC. Response by CLECs to Ameritech's proposed Attachment A also appears to be unnecessary at this time.

Per FCC orders (97-1 Ameritech Michigan FCC 271 Order) , the FCC is looking for:
identity and number of competing providers of local exchange service
number, type, and geographic location of customers served by such competing providers

Per Bell Atlantic Order (99-295), the FCC quoted Bell Atlantic estimates of:
competitors serving how many lines using their own facilities
lines using UNE platform
and lines through resale
how many res lines over their own facilities
CLECs provide service to how many res customers using the UNE platform
how many lines resold to res customers
same for business lines

According to orders issued by the FCC, staff believes that the type of information as outlined above will provide the proper analysis for our review and still meet the guidelines in MPSC Order U-12320, paragraph 11, which states that the CLECs should contribute information regarding the general market conditions and competition issues in the Section 271 checklist proceeding.

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