

STATE OF MICHIGAN

BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the matter of the joint requests for Commission)
approval of interconnection agreements and)
amendments.)
_____)

At the April 16, 2002 meeting of the Michigan Public Service Commission in Lansing,
Michigan.

PRESENT: Hon. Laura Chappelle, Chairman
Hon. David A. Svanda, Commissioner
Hon. Robert B. Nelson, Commissioner

OPINION AND ORDER

The following parties have filed joint applications for approval of interconnection
agreements and amendments:

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| Case No. U-11888 | Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc., d/b/a Verizon North Systems, and Nextel West Corp.
Applications filed February 22 and 26, 2002 for approval of the first and second amendments (reciprocal compensation and E9-1-1 network systems and databases). |
| Case No. U-12244 | Verizon North Inc., and Contel of the South, Inc., d/b/a Verizon North Systems, and Sprint Spectrum L.P.
Application filed February 20, 2002 for approval of the first amendment (E9-1-1 network systems and databases). |
| Case No. U-12535 | Ameritech Michigan and American Fiber Network, Inc.
Application filed February 26, 2002 for approval of the fourth amendment (term extension, reciprocal compensation, and pricing schedule). |

- Case No. U-13037 Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc., d/b/a Verizon North Systems, and Alpine-Michigan E, Inc.
Application filed February 27, 2002 for approval of the first amendment (E9-1-1 network systems and databases).
- Case No. U-13039 Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc., d/b/a Verizon North Systems, and Alpine-PCS, Inc.
Application filed February 28, 2002 for approval of the first amendment (E9-1-1 network systems and databases).
- Case No. U-13040 Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc., d/b/a Verizon North Systems, and RFB Cellular, Inc.
Application filed February 27, 2002 for approval of the first amendment (E9-1-1 network systems and databases).
- Case No. U-13041 Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc., d/b/a Verizon North Systems, and Alpine-Michigan F, Inc.
Application filed February 27, 2002 for approval of the first amendment (E9-1-1 network systems and databases).
- Case No. U-13272 Ameritech Michigan and CenturyTel Solutions, LLC
Application filed January 24, 2002 for approval of an interconnection agreement and an appendix (adoption, pursuant to 47 USC 252(i), of the agreement approved on February 5, 2001 in Case No. U-12460 for Level 3 Communications, LLC, excluding the first amendment but including the merger amendment, and negotiated reciprocal compensation appendix).
- Case No. U-13282 Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc., d/b/a Verizon North Systems, and Bloomingdale Telephone Company CLEC
Application filed January 30, 2002 for approval of an interconnection agreement (adoption, pursuant to 47 USC 252(i), of the agreement approved on February 17, 1999 in Case No. U-11551 for BRE Communications, L.L.C., d/b/a Phone Michigan).
- Case No. U-13313 Ameritech Michigan and Budget Phone, Inc.
Application filed February 26, 2002 for approval of an interconnection agreement.
- Case No. U-13316 CenturyTel and CenturyTel Wireless, Inc.
Application filed March 4, 2002 for approval of an interconnection agreement.

Section 252 of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, 47 USC 252, requires that any interconnection agreement that is adopted by negotiation be submitted to the Commission for approval. 47 USC 252(e) provides in part:

- (2) The State commission may only reject
 - (A) an agreement (or any portion thereof) adopted by negotiation under subsection (a) of this section if it finds that--
 - (i) the agreement (or portion thereof) discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement; or
 - (ii) the implementation of such agreement or portion is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity; . . .

- (3) Notwithstanding paragraph (2), but subject to section 253 of this title, nothing in this section shall prohibit a State commission from establishing or enforcing other requirements of State law in its review of an agreement, including requiring compliance with intrastate telecommunications service quality standards or requirements.

47 USC 252(e)(2) and (3).

The Commission concludes, after reviewing the applications, agreements, and amendments, that it should approve the applications. The Commission finds that the agreements and amendments are consistent with federal and state law and are in the public interest. Under 47 USC 252(i) and MCL 484.2359(2), the services provided under the agreements, as amended, must be made available to other telecommunications carriers upon the same terms and conditions.

The Commission FINDS that:

- a. Jurisdiction is pursuant to 1991 PA 179, as amended, MCL 484.2101 et seq.; the Communications Act of 1934, as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996, 47 USC 151 et seq.; 1969 PA 306, as amended, MCL 24.201 et seq.; and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, as amended, 1992 AACS, R 460.17101 et seq.

- b. The interconnection agreements and amendments listed above should be approved.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

A. The interconnection agreements and amendments listed above are approved.

B. Approval of the interconnection agreements and amendments does not alter the duty of the parties to comply with relevant federal and state law and past and future Commission orders and rules.

The Commission reserves jurisdiction and may issue further orders as necessary.

MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

/s/ Laura Chappelle

Chairman

(S E A L)

/s/ David A. Svanda

Commissioner

/s/ Robert B. Nelson

Commissioner

By its action of April 16, 2002.

/s/ Dorothy Wideman

Its Executive Secretary

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Suggested Minute:

“Adopt and issue order dated April 16, 2002 approving interconnection agreements and amendments, as set forth in the order.”