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**PLEADING CYCLE ESTABLISHED FOR COMMENTS ON
NYNEX AND AMERITECH PETITIONS FOR FORBEARANCE FROM
APPLICATION OF SECTION 272 OF THE ACT
TO PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED SERVICES**

CC Docket No. 96-149

Released: May 14, 1997

On May 6, 1997, NYNEX Telephone Companies (NYNEX) filed a petition for forbearance, and on May 13, 1997, the Ameritech Corporation (Ameritech) filed an amended and restated petition for forbearance, pursuant to section 10 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. NYNEX and Ameritech request that, to the extent their E911 services are interLATA information services, the Commission forbear from applying the requirements of section 272 of the Act to those services. Ameritech also requests that to the extent its telecommunications relay services are interLATA information services, the Commission forbear from applying the requirements of section 272 to those services.

Ameritech's May 13, 1997, filing amends and restates a petition for forbearance that Ameritech filed on April 18, 1997. The Common Carrier Bureau released a Public Notice, DA 97-889, on April 30, 1997, establishing a comment deadline of May 30, 1997 and a reply comment deadline of June 13, 1997, for the Ameritech petition. In view of Ameritech's petition for forbearance we establish a new pleading cycle set as forth below.

Interested parties should file comments on the NYNEX and Ameritech petitions by **June 4, 1997**, and reply comments by **June 16, 1997**, with the Secretary, FCC, 1919 M Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20554. In addition, two copies should be sent to Janice Myles, Common Carrier Bureau, FCC, Room 544, 1919 M Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20554, and one copy to International Transcription Service, Inc. (ITS), the Commission's contractor for public service records duplication. The NYNEX and Ameritech petitions are available for public inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC's Public Reference Center, Room 239, 1919 M Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20554. Copies can also be obtained from ITS at 2100 M Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20037, or by calling (202) 857-3800.

We will treat this proceeding as permit, but disclose for purposes of the Commission's *ex parte* rules. See generally 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200-1.1216. For further information contact Janice Myles, Policy and Program Planning Division, Common Carrier Bureau, at (202) 418-1577.

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