

October 14, 1998

Ms. Magalie Roman Salas  
Commission Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
1919 M Street, N.W.  
Room 222  
Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: Comments for CC Docket No. 98-141

Dear Ms. Salas:

On behalf of Travelers Group and pursuant to Section 1.419(b) of the Commission's Rules, I would like to submit these comments to convey Travelers Group's support of the pending application of SBC Communications Inc. and Ameritech Corporation merger.

Travelers Group is a diversified, integrated financial services company engaged in investment services, consumer finance, and life and property casualty insurance services. Among our businesses are Salomon Smith Barney, Salomon Smith Barney Asset Management, Travelers Life and Annuity, Primerica Financial Services, Travelers Property Casualty and Commercial Credit.

Few businesses are as completely dependent on reliable and cost-effective communications services as those in the financial services industry. We are currently national account customers of SBC, Ameritech and SNET in their respective regions of the country and have experienced positive service and support in the past. The approval of the proposed merger will allow them to expand their services and make the merged company a significant competitor that we can consider in the national and global market.

Please convey our recommendation for FCC approval of this merger.

Respectfully submitted,



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