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**Petition of Ameritech for Forbearance from Dominant Carrier
Regulation of its Provision of High Capacity Services in the Chicago LATA
CC Docket No. 99-65**

Pleading Cycle Established

COMMENTS: March 31, 1999

REPLY COMMENTS: April 21, 1999

On February 5, 1999, the Ameritech Operating Companies (Ameritech) filed a petition requesting that the Commission exercise its authority to forbear from regulating Ameritech as a dominant carrier in the provision of high capacity special access and dedicated transport for switched access in the Chicago local access and transport area (LATA), pursuant to Section 10 of the Communications Act of 1934 (the Act), as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996, 47 U.S.C. § 160. Ameritech claims that its high capacity services meet the Commission's criteria for non-dominant treatment in the Chicago LATA.

This matter shall be treated as a "permit-but-disclose" proceeding in accordance with the Commission's *ex parte* rules. See 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200, 1.1206. Persons making oral *ex parte* presentations are reminded that memoranda summarizing the presentations must contain summaries of the substance of the presentations and not merely a listing of the subjects discussed. More than a one or two sentence description of the views and arguments presented is generally required. See 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b). Other rules pertaining to oral and written *ex parte* presentations in permit-but-disclose proceedings are set forth in Section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b).

Interested parties may file comments on or before **March 31, 1999**, and reply comments on or before **April 21, 1999**. When filing comments and/or reply comments, please reference **CC Docket No. 99-65**.

Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) or by filing paper copies. See *Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings*, 13 FCC Rcd 11322 (1998). Comments filed through the ECFS can be sent as an electronic file via the Internet to <<http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html>>. In completing the transmittal screen, commenters should include their full name, Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket or rulemaking number. Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To get filing instructions for e-mail comments, commenters should send an e-mail to ecfs@fcc.gov, and should include the following words in the body of

the message, "get form <your e-mail address>." A sample form and directions will be sent in reply.

Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and four copies of all comments and reply comments. All filings must be sent to the Commission's Secretary, Magalie Roman Salas, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 - 12th Street, S.W., TW-A325, Washington, D.C. 20554. In addition, one copy of each pleading must be filed with the Commission's duplicating contractor, International Transcription Services (ITS), 1231 - 20th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036, and one copy with the Chief, Competitive Pricing Division, Fifth Floor, 445 - 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20554.

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