

Siskiyou Telephone offers these brief comments in support of the Missoula Plan. The plan is not all we hoped it would be. For example, we believe it pushes too much of the burden for intercarrier compensation off of the carriers and onto our end users. We also wish the rates adopted by the plan were mandatory and not subject to arbitration to achieve even lower rates. On the whole, however, all parties had to give up more than they were comfortable with, and we feel that this even-handed plan should be adopted by the FCC.