

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPROVAL OF THE)	
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT)	
NEGOTIATED BETWEEN CINCINNATI)	
BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY AND)	CASE NO. 99-511
MCImetro ACCESS TRANSMISSION)	
SERVICES LLC, PURSUANT TO)	
SECTIONS 251 AND 252 OF THE)	
TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996)	

O R D E R

On December 17, 1999, Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company ("CBT") and MCImetro Access Transmission Services LLC ("MCImetro") submitted to the Commission their negotiated interconnection agreement whereby MCImetro adopts the interconnection agreement between CBT and Intermedia Communication Inc., dated July 15, 1998, that was approved by the Commission on September 14, 1998. The agreement was negotiated pursuant to the Telecommunications Act of 1996 ("1996 Act"), 47 U.S.C. Sections 251 and 252. Section 252(e) of the 1996 Act requires the parties to an interconnection agreement adopted by negotiation to submit the agreement for approval to the Commission.

The Commission has reviewed the agreement and finds that no portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement. The Commission also finds that the implementation of this agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity, except for the incorrect wholesale discount rate. On December 3, 1998, the Commission determined that CBT's

avoided costs should be reflected in a 16.74 percent discount rate.¹ Public interest dictates that the agreement between CBT and MCImetro reflect a 16.74 percent discount rate.

MCImetro must comply with all relevant Commission mandates for serving in this Commonwealth.

The Commission, having been otherwise sufficiently advised, HEREBY ORDERS that:

1. The agreement between CBT and MCImetro is approved, except that the discount rate shall be 16.74 percent.
2. Within 20 days of the date of this Order, MCImetro and CBT shall file the corrected agreement as ordered herein.
3. Within 20 days of the date of this Order, CBT shall file with the Commission a true and complete copy of the complete corrected agreement in Microsoft[®] Word 97 format on 3.5-inch high-density diskette.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 16th day of March, 2000.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Vice Chairman

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