

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPROVAL OF THE RESALE)
AGREEMENT NEGOTIATED BY)
ALLTEL COMMUNICATIONS SERVICE)
CORPORATION AND UNIVERSAL) CASE NO. 2000-027
TELECOM, INC. PURSUANT TO)
SECTIONS 251 AND 252 OF THE)
TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996)

O R D E R

On January 18, 2000, ALLTEL Communications Service Corporation (“ALLTEL”) and Universal Telecom, Inc. (“Universal Telecom”) submitted to the Commission their negotiated agreement for resale of ALLTEL's services to end-users. 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 to the extent it does not reflect the Commission-ordered discount rate of 17 percent. On September 26, 1996,

the Commission ordered that “[f]or all LECs, other than GTE and BellSouth, the discount rate shall be 17 percent.”¹

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

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

1. The negotiated agreement between ALLTEL and Universal Telecom is approved, except that the discount rate shall be 17 percent.

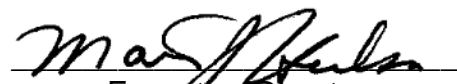
2. Within 20 days of the date of this Order, ALLTEL and Universal Telecom shall file the corrected agreement as ordered herein.

3. Within 20 days of the date of this Order, ALLTEL shall file with the Commission a true and complete copy of the agreement approved herein in Microsoft® Word 97 format on 3.5-inch high-density diskette.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 3rd day of April, 2000.

By the Commission

ATTEST:


Executive Director

¹ Administrative Case No. 355, An Inquiry Into Local Competition, Universal Service, and the Non-Traffic Sensitive Access Rate, at 14.