

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of Ameri-)
tech Ohio (Formerly known as The Ohio)
Bell Telephone Company) for Approval of) Case No. 93-487-TP-ALT
an Alternative Form of Regulation.)

ENTRY

The attorney examiner, pursuant to the authority granted in Rule 4901-1-14, Ohio Administrative Code, finds:

- (1) By Opinion and Order issued on November 23, 1994, the Commission approved a stipulated agreement and recommendation and the attached alternative regulation plan for Ameritech Ohio (Ameritech). One aspect of the adopted alternative regulation plan was the obligation upon Ameritech to file an updated price cap index filing with the Commission every May 1.¹
- (2) On April 27, 2000, Ameritech filed a motion for an extension of time. Ameritech requests that it be allowed until May 22, 2000, rather than May 1, 2000, to file its updated price cap index filing. Ameritech notes that the company does not have sufficient time to prepare and file this year's price cap filing inasmuch as the Commission adopted a Stipulation and Recommendation on this same date which significantly impacts the preparation of this year's filing. Ameritech maintains that this limited extension will not prejudice any party as other parties to this case will still have an adequate opportunity to review and comment on Ameritech's filing. Moreover, Ameritech is not requesting, through this motion, an extension of the July 1, 2000 effective date for the resulting rate changes.
- (3) The attorney examiner finds that the requested extension is reasonable and should be granted. The examiner believes that it is appropriate to allow Ameritech the additional time so that the company may fully prepare this year's updated price cap index filing taking into account the Stipulation and Recommendation approved on April 27, 2000.

¹ The Commission's November 23, 1994 Opinion and Order was overturned by the Ohio Supreme Court on grounds unrelated to the price cap index filing requirement in *Time Warner AxS v. Pub. Util. Comm.* (1996), 75 Ohio St. 3d 299, but then reinstated by adoption of Sub. S.B. 306, effective June 18, 1996.

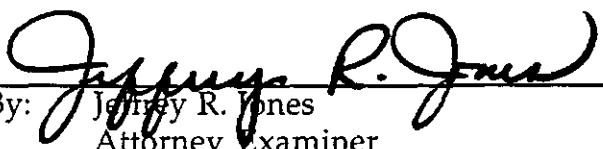
It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That Ameritech's motion for an extension is granted. Ameritech shall now file its updated price cap index filing on May 22, 2000. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon each party and interested person of record in Case No. 93-487-TP-ALT.

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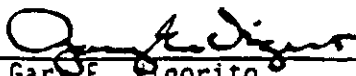
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