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Re: In the Matter of the Application of The Ohio Bell
Telephone Company for Approval of an Alternative
Form of Regulation
Case No. 93-487-TP-ALT

Dear Ms. Crockron:

Pursuant to its Plan of Alternative Regulation, Ameritech Ohio filed on May 3, 1999 its proposed price cap updates and revisions to rates to become effective July 1, 1999. The Ohio Consumers' Counsel ("OCC") filed its response to that filing on May 17, 1999 and the Company filed Reply Comments on June 1, 1999. On June 8, 1999, OCC filed a motion for leave to file a response to which the Company has not yet responded. In addition, the Company filed a revision to its proposed rates on June 11, 1999.

OCC has challenged the Company's proposed exogenous adjustment to the price cap calculation. It appears unlikely that the Commission can resolve the issues raised prior to the scheduled implementation of the proposed price changes on July 1, 1999. Therefore, the Commission Staff has asked the Company to request the authority to put into effect on July 1, 1999 the price changes that will yield an approximate \$7.5 million in revenue reductions while the dispute over the exogenous adjustment is pending.

In order to allow the Commission more time to review and consider the issues raised by OCC, the Company agrees to put the proposed price changes in effect on July 1, 1999, if it is authorized to do so by the Commission. The Company understands that the Commission's review of this matter will be completed no later than the end of the year. If the result of that review is an order requiring further price reductions, the Company agrees to make those price reductions prospectively from the date of the Commission's order, subject to the Company's right to challenge the Commission's order.

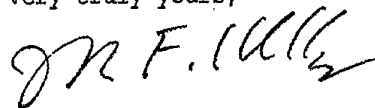
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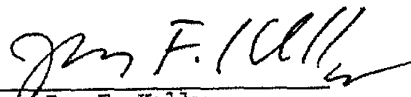
Very truly yours,



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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing letter were served upon counsel for the parties as shown on the attached service list, by prepaid first class U. S. mail, this 18th day of June, 1999.



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