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BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of Numerous Applications of)
Ameritech Ohio for Approval of a Contract or)
Other Arrangement Between Ameritech Ohio and)
Various of its Customers:)

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| Ameritech\Southdown Inc. |) | Case No. 96-389-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\NewPar dba Cellular One |) | Case No. 96-390-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\Kelly Services |) | Case No. 96-403-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\Corrigan Moving |) | Case No. 96-442-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\Corrigan Moving |) | Case No. 96-443-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\D.O.C. Optical |) | Case No. 96-444-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\Reynolds & Reynolds |) | Case No. 96-445-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\LCI International |) | Case No. 96-446-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\Libby-Owens-Ford Co. |) | Case No. 96-465-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\Key Services Corp. |) | Case No. 96-555-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\Mortgage Placement |) | Case No. 96-580-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\Sears, Roebuck & Co. |) | Case No. 96-629-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\Croghan Colonial Bank |) | Case No. 96-640-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\Citizens Banking Co. |) | Case No. 96-653-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\OCLC Online Computer Library |) | Case No. 96-661-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\Chase Manhattan Mortgage |) | Case No. 96-704-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\OfficeMax, Inc. |) | Case No. 96-705-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\Sun TV |) | Case No. 96-738-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\Dean Witter |) | Case No. 96-754-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\Akron General Medical Center |) | Case No. 96-755-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\Huntington National Bank |) | Case No. 96-778-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\Mt. Carmel Health Systems |) | Case No. 96-826-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\CompuServe, Inc. |) | Case No. 96-827-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\Heritage Mutual Insurance Co. |) | Case No. 96-833-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\Meridia Health Systems |) | Case No. 96-839-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\North Canton Medical Clinic |) | Case No. 96-874-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\TheOnRamp |) | Case No. 96-911-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\Ohio Savings Bank |) | Case No. 96-915-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\Stow-Glenn, Inc. |) | Case No. 96-939-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\American Airlines |) | Case No. 96-954-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\Revco D. S., Inc. |) | Case No. 96-955-TP-AEC |
| Ameritech\Salem Community Hospital |) | Case No. 96-956-TP-AEC |

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Ameritech\Reynolds & Reynolds) Case No. 97-1713-TP-AEC

APPLICATION FOR REHEARING OF AMERITECH OHIO

Pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code Section 4903.10 and O.A.C. Section 4901-1-35, Ameritech Ohio ("Ameritech") files this Application for Rehearing of the Commission's April 30, 1998 Entry on Rehearing ("Entry") in this proceeding. Ameritech supports the alternative procedure adopted by the Commission for filing customer contracts with the Commission for approval pursuant to Rev. Code § 4905.31. Allowing Ameritech and other ILECs and NECs to file contracts with identifying customer information redacted furthers the Commission's interest in promoting competition as well as Ameritech's interest in protecting its valuable trade secrets

and other confidential business information. Ameritech intends to follow this new procedure as detailed in the Commission's Entry.¹

However, the Commission perhaps unknowingly, but nevertheless unreasonably, limited this new procedure to only those contracts filed by ILECs and NECs. If the Commission's procedure is not extended to apply to contracts filed with the Commission by IXC's, then those contracts will be subject to the same anti-competitive concerns previously raised by the Commission in this proceeding. IXC's currently file contracts governing the provision of several telecommunications services, such as private line and toll services, which they offer in competition with ILECs and NECs in Ohio. If the Commission's Entry is not extended to cover IXC's, then the rates, terms and conditions in all contracts filed by ILECs and NECs will be open for inspection by IXC's, but the same data in IXC's' contracts will be concealed. Moreover, while the Commission's Entry prohibits ILECs and NECs from foreclosing the customer from disclosing contract terms and conditions to another entity, IXC's are free to include (and do include) such a restriction in their competitive-service contracts.

As a result, IXC's will be able to prevent the development of the true competitive market desired by the Commission, and the Commission's Entry will, in actuality, lead to nothing more than a one-way information grab. True competition is unlikely to occur when IXC's are free to conceal their own market data but are given open access to the market data of ILECs and NECs. Thus, the Commission cannot achieve its goal of fostering fair, competitive markets by limiting its contract policy to ILECs and NECs. Fairness and reason dictate that the

¹ Ameritech does not take a position on the procedure used by the Commission to adopt this new policy, nor does Ameritech join in the Application for Rehearing filed in this proceeding by the OTIA.

contract policy adopted in the Commission's Entry be applied evenly to all competitors, including IXC's.

Therefore, the Commission should grant rehearing and enter an order making clear that the contract policy set forth in its April 30, 1998 Entry on Rehearing applies to IXC's, as well as to ILECs and NECs.

Respectfully submitted,

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