

**Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of)	CC Docket No. 93-162
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)	CC Docket No. 94-97
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)	CC Docket No. 96-185
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Ameritech)	
Revisions to Tariff F.C.C. No. 2)	Transmittal No. 1374
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Southwestern Bell Telephone Company)	
Revisions to Tariff F.C.C. No. 73)	Transmittal No. 2975
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ORDER

Adopted: December 23, 2003

Released: December 24, 2003

By the Chief, Pricing Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau:

1. On December 11, 2003, Ameritech filed Transmittal No. 1374 to revise Tariff F.C.C. No. 2, Access Services, to become effective December 26, 2003. Also on December 11, 2003, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWBT) filed Transmittal No. 2975, to revise Tariff F.C.C. No. 73, Access Services, to become effective December 26, 2003. Ameritech and SWBT are proposing, among other things, to add 1 Gigabit Ethernet to their Interconnection Services and a new provision which provides that all optical interconnections within a central office will support only single mode fiber termination.

2. Transmittal Nos. 1374 and 2975 affect the issues regarding rate levels, rate structures, and terms and conditions of collocation services that are subject to the investigation of Ameritech's Tariff F.C.C. No. 2 and SWBT's Tariff F.C.C. No. 73, revisions to Expanded Interconnection provisions. Therefore, with respect to the rates, terms and conditions affecting Expanded Interconnection Services, Transmittal Nos. 1374 and 2975 are suspended for one day and will be subject to the investigation initiated in the *Virtual Collocation Tariff Suspension Order*,¹ the *Expanded Interconnection Tariff Order*²

¹ Ameritech Operating Companies, *et al.*, CC Docket No. 94-97, Order, 10 FCC Rcd 1960 (1994) (*Virtual Collocation Tariff Suspension Order*). The *Virtual Collocation Tariff Suspension Order* suspended for one day and initiated an investigation of the virtual collocation tariffs filed on September 1, 1994, by the TIER 1 local exchange carriers subject to expanded interconnection requirements. In the *Phase II Designation Order*, the Wireline Competition Bureau (formerly the Common Carrier Bureau) (Bureau) designated issues for investigation regarding the rate levels, rate structures, and terms and conditions of service for the second phase of the investigation of the LECs' virtual collocation tariffs. Local Exchange Carriers' Rates, Terms and Conditions for Expanded Interconnection Through Virtual Collocation for Special Access and Switched Transport, CC Docket No. 94-97, Phase II, Order Designating Issues for Investigation, 10 FCC Rcd 11116 (1995) (*Phase II Designation Order*).

and the *New Expanded Interconnection Service Suspension Order*.³ These transmittals will also be subject to an accounting order to facilitate any refunds that may later prove necessary.

3. Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that, pursuant to section 204(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 204(a), and the authority delegated pursuant to sections 0.91 and 0.291 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.91, 0.291, the revisions to Ameritech's Tariff F.C.C. No. 2 and Southwestern Bell Telephone Company's Tariff F.C.C. No. 73 Expanded Interconnection Service offerings filed under Transmittal Nos. 1374 and 2975, respectively, ARE SUSPENDED for one day from the December 26, 2003 effective date, and investigations of the referenced transmittals are instituted and incorporated within CC Docket Nos. 93-162, 94-97, and 96-185.

4. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, pursuant to sections 4(i) and 204(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §§ 154(i) and 204(a), Ameritech and Southwestern Bell Telephone Company SHALL KEEP accurate account of all amounts received by the reason of the rates that are subject of this investigation.

5. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Ameritech and Southwestern Bell Telephone Company SHALL FILE tariff revisions within five business days of the release date of this Order to reflect this suspension.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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² Ameritech Operating Companies, *et al.*, CC Docket No. 93-162, Order, 8 FCC Rcd 4589 (Com. Car. Bur. 1993) (*Expanded Interconnection Tariff Order*).

³ Investigation of Ameritech's New Expanded Interconnection Offerings, CC Docket No. 96-185, Order, 11 FCC Rcd 10177 (Com. Car. Bur. 1996) (*New Expanded Interconnection Service Suspension Order*). The *New Expanded Interconnection Service Suspension Order* suspended for one day and initiated an investigation into Ameritech's new physical collocation expanded interconnection offering, filed on July 2, 1996. In the *New Expanded Interconnection Tariff Designation Order*, the Bureau designated issues for investigation regarding rate levels, rate structures and terms and conditions of service. Ameritech Operating Companies' New Expanded Interconnection Tariff, CC Docket No. 96-185, Order Designating Issues for Investigation, DA 97-523 (Com. Car. Bur. 1997) (*New Expanded Interconnection Designation Order*).