At the March 22, 1999 meeting of the Michigan Public Service Commission in Lansing, Michigan.

PRESENT: Hon. John G. Strand, Chairman
Hon. David A. Svanda, Commissioner

ORDER APPROVING APPLICATION


At a hearing on March 9, 1999, the parties stipulated to binding in all of the testimony. Accordingly, the testimony and exhibits of Robert W. McCausland, Allegiance’s Vice President of Regulatory and Interconnection, were admitted into the record. The testimony of Thomas D. Gray, Departmental Specialist in the Competitive Services Section of the Commission's Communications Division, was also bound into the record. Mr. Gray indicated that if the Commission grants the application, it should acknowledge certain regulatory requirements specified in the Michigan Telecommunications Act. At the close of the hearing, the parties waived compliance with the provisions of Section 81 of the Michigan Administrative Procedures Act, MCL 24.281; MSA 3.560(181).

After a review of the application and testimony, the Commission finds that approval of Allegiance’s application is in the public interest. On numerous occasions, the Commission has found that competition is advantageous to the citizens of this state. Approval of Allegiance’s request for a license to provide basic local exchange service in the requested areas will expand the advantages of competition. Accordingly, Allegiance’s application should be approved. The grant of a license is conditioned on compliance with the anti-slamming procedures adopted on September 23, 1998 in Case No. U-11757. Failure to comply fully with those procedures may result in revocation of the license and other penalties.

The Commission FINDS that:

a. Jurisdiction is pursuant to 1991 PA 179, as amended, MCL 484.2101 et seq.; MSA 22.1469(101) et seq.; 1969 PA 306, as amended, MCL 24.201 et seq.; MSA 3.560(101)
et seq.; and the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure, as amended, 1992 AACS, R 460.17101 et seq.

b. Allegiance possesses sufficient technical, financial, and managerial resources and abilities to provide basic local exchange service to every person within the geographic area of license.

c. Granting Allegiance a license to provide basic local exchange service in the requested areas will not be contrary to the public interest.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:


B. Allegiance Telecom of Michigan, Inc., shall provide basic local exchange service in accordance with the regulatory requirements specified in the Michigan Telecommunications Act, MCL 484.2101 et seq.; MSA 22.1469(101) et seq., including the anti-slamming procedures adopted on September 23, 1998 in Case No. U-11757.
C. Before commencing basic local exchange service, Allegiance Telecom of Michigan, Inc., shall submit its tariff reflecting the services that it will offer and legible maps identifying the exchanges in which it will offer service.

The Commission reserves jurisdiction and may issue further orders as necessary.

Any party desiring to appeal this order must do so in the appropriate court within 30 days after issuance and notice of this order, pursuant to MCL 462.26; MSA 22.45.

MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

/s/ John G. Strand
Chairman

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/s/ David A. Svanda
Commissioner

By its action of March 22, 1999.

/s/ Dorothy Wideman
Its Executive Secretary
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MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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By its action of March 22, 1999.

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Its Executive Secretary
In the matter of the application of  
ALLEGIANCE TELECOM OF MICHIGAN, INC.,  
for a license to provide basic local exchange  
service in the Detroit LATA zones and exchanges  
served by Ameritech Michigan.  

Case No. U-11872  

Suggested Minute:

“Adopt and issue order dated March 22, 1999 granting Allegiance Telecom of Michigan, Inc., a license to provide basic local exchange service, as set forth in the order.”