

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

D.P.U. 97-23

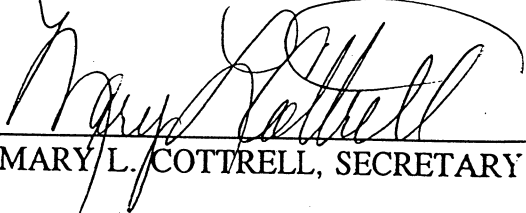
ORDER OF NOTICE

New England Telephone and Telegraph Company d/b/a NYNEX is required to publish the attached legal notice in a one-quarter page advertisement in the Boston Globe and the Boston Herald by March 21, 1997.

NYNEX is also required to provide a copy of this legal notice to the joint service list in the Consolidated Arbitrations (D.P.U. 96-73/74, D.P.U. 96-75, D.P.U. 96-80/81, D.P.U. 96-83, D.P.U. 96-94); D.P.U. 96-72; D.P.U. 96-110 and D.P.U. 96-114; all intervenors and their respective counsel from D.P.U. 94-185, and to all companies and their respective counsel that have made requests of NYNEX to negotiate pursuant to § 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 by March 21, 1997.

NYNEX also is required to make return of service and publication to the Department.

By Order of the Department,


MARY L. COTTRELL, SECRETARY

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LEGAL AD

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On February 10, 1997, New England Telephone and Telegraph Company d/b/a NYNEX ("NYNEX") and Southwestern Bell Mobile Systems ("SWB") filed with the Department of Public Utilities ("Department") a negotiated interconnection agreement ("Agreement"), pursuant to § 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 ("the Act"). The Agreement was executed on January 30, 1997. Copies of the Agreement were provided to the parties to Local Competition, D.P.U. 94-185, and to the companies that have made requests of NYNEX to negotiate pursuant to § 252 of the Act.

The Act requires that the Department approve or reject the Agreement (with written findings as to any deficiencies) within 90 days of its filing (i.e., by May 9, 1997). §§ 252(e)(1), (4). The Department may only reject the Agreement if it finds that:

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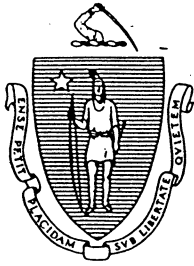
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Accordingly, the Department seeks comment from interested parties as to whether it should approve or reject the Agreement. If an interested party recommends that the Department reject the Agreement, that interested party should specify in detail how the Agreement is deficient under either or both of the above two standards.

Persons interested in commenting on the Agreement may file written comments with:

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary
Re: D.P.U. 97-23
Department of Public Utilities
Leverett Saltonstall Building
100 Cambridge Street, Room 1210
Boston, Massachusetts 02202

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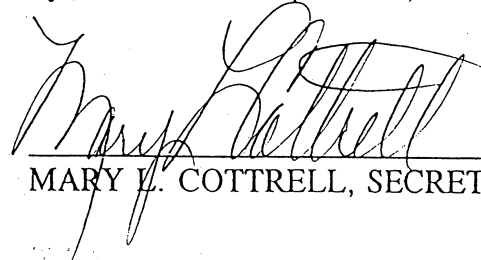
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Communication was received from the Department of Public Utilities, transmitting notice that New England Telephone and Telegraph Company d/b/a NYNEX and southwestern Bell Mobile Systems filed a negotiated interconnection agreement. The agreement was executed on January 30, 1997.

In City Council March 17, 1997

*Referred to
City Manager*

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