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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION )  
OF U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC., )  
FOR APPROVAL OF THE WIRELINE )  
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT )  
WITH ALLEGIANCE TELECOM, INC. )

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DECISION NO. 102345

ORDER

Open Meeting  
March 1 and 2, 2000  
Phoenix, Arizona

BY THE COMMISSION:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On December 1, 1999, U S WEST Communications, Inc. (U S WEST) filed an application for approval of an agreement for local interconnection and service resale between U S WEST and Allegiance Telecom of Arizona, Inc. (Allegiance).

2. The term of the agreement starts at the date of Commission approval and lasts until January 1, 2001. The parties agree to commence negotiations on a new agreement no later than 160 calendar days prior to January 1, 2001.

3. The agreement governs the terms and conditions for local interconnection, resale, collocation, unbundled network elements, and access to U S WEST's OSS systems. The agreement is essentially the same as the interconnection agreement between U S WEST and Nextlink Arizona, Inc., approved by the Commission on November 28, 1999.

4. The Telecommunications Act of 1996 (1996 Act) directed incumbent local exchange carriers to make their networks available for interconnection and resale by new entrants to the local exchange market. The 1996 Act provided for interconnection and resale agreements to be concluded by voluntary agreement. This interconnection agreement between Allegiance and U S WEST was voluntarily negotiated, without resort to arbitration.



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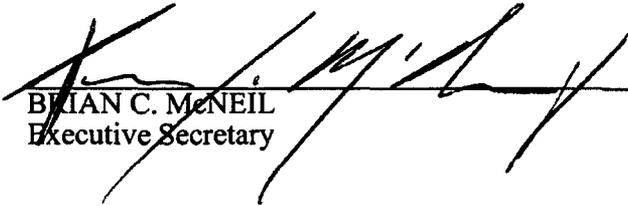
THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the Commission hereby approves the interconnection agreement as filed by the parties on December 1, 1999.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Decision shall become effective immediately.

**BY ORDER OF THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION**

		
CHAIRMAN	COMMISSIONER	COMMISSIONER

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, BRIAN C. McNEIL, Executive Secretary of the Arizona Corporation Commission, have hereunto, set my hand and caused the official seal of this Commission to be affixed at the Capitol, in the City of Phoenix, this 10th day of March, 2000.

  
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 BRIAN C. McNEIL  
 Executive Secretary

DISSENT: \_\_\_\_\_

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