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TO: Blanca S. Bayo, Director, Division of Records and Reporting

FROM: Walter D'Haeseleer, Director, Division of Communications

RE: Staff recommendation for Docket Nos. 960833-TP, 960846-TP, and 960916-TP

On November 14, 1996, staff filed its recommendation for the 960833-TP and 960846-TP arbitration proceeding. Issue 1(b) in that recommendation addresses the appropriate rates for unbundled network elements. Upon further consideration, staff believes several rates proposed in Issue 1(b) should be revised. The rates for four unbundled elements were set using BellSouth's tariffed rates. These four elements are Channelization, Common Transport, Dedicated Transport, and Tandem Switching. Staff's concern regarding using rates other than the tariffed rates for these elements focused on an ALEC's use of unbundled elements in lieu of access charges. However, §51.309(b) of the FCC's Rules states that:

A telecommunications carrier purchasing access to an unbundled network element may use such network element to provide exchange access services to itself in order to provide interexchange services to subscribers.

Therefore, staff believes that in order to be in conformity with the pricing requirements in the Act, the above referenced rates should be revised to mirror the pricing policy used for the other unbundled elements. In addition, staff found typographical errors on two rate elements. These elements are the 4-wire analog port and DA Database elements. The specific revisions and affected page numbers are shown on the attachment.

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REVISIONS TO STAFF RECOMMENDATION FOR DOCKET NOs.: 960833-TP, 960846-TP, and 960916-TP

♦ RECURRING RATES

		RECOMMENDATION			
PAGE REFERENCE	<u>NETWORK ELEMENT</u>	11/14/96		11/21/96	
38, 57	End Office Switching 4 Wire analog port	\$	12.00	\$	10.00*
38, 57	Channelization System Per system Central office channel interface - voice		970.00		480.00 1.50
38, 57	Common Transport		.00004	•	000012
38, 58	Dedicated Transport Per mile Per term.		16.75 .00036		1.60 .0005
38, 58	Tandem Switching		.00050		.00029
39, 58	DA Database Per listing		.015		.001*

^{*}Revised to correct typographical errors

♦ NONRECURRING CHARGES

PAGE REFERENCE	NETWORK ELEMENT	RECOMMF 11/14/96		ENDATION 11/21/96	
40	Channelization System Per System First Additional Central Office Channel	\$	145.45 584.80	\$	350.00 90.00
	First Additional				5.75 5.50
	Additional		*****		5.50