

## DECISION MEMORANDUM

**TO:** COMMISSIONER REDFORD  
COMMISSIONER SMITH  
COMMISSIONER KEMPTON  
COMMISSION SECRETARY  
LEGAL  
WORKING FILE

**FROM:** GRACE SEAMAN

**DATE:** JANUARY 24, 2008

**RE:** ALLTEL'S APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF THE  
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT; CASE NO. ATO-T-08-1.

### BACKGROUND

Under the provisions of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, interconnection agreements must be submitted to the Commission for approval. 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(1). The Commission may reject an agreement adopted by negotiations only if it finds that the agreement: (1) discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement; or (2) implementation of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity. 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(2)(A).

### CURRENT APPLICATION

On January 22, 2008, ALLTEL Communications LLC (Alltel) filed an Application for an Interconnection and Reciprocal Compensation Agreement with Project Mutual Telephone Cooperative Association, Inc. (PMT). The filing explains that, in the State of Idaho, Alltel is an authorized wireless service provider and PMT is the incumbent local exchange carrier. In this Application, the parties request Commission approval of an agreement that includes terms and conditions for the originating and terminating traffic between the respective mobile and land networks.

**STAFF ANALYSIS**

Staff has reviewed the Application and does not find that any terms or conditions are discriminatory or contrary to the public interest. Staff believes that the Application is consistent with the FCC orders and pro-competitive policies of this Commission, the Idaho Legislature, and the federal Telecommunications Act. Accordingly, Staff recommends Commission approval of the Interconnection and Reciprocal Compensation Agreement.

**COMMISSION DECISION**

Does the Commission wish to approve this Application?

  
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