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Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts  
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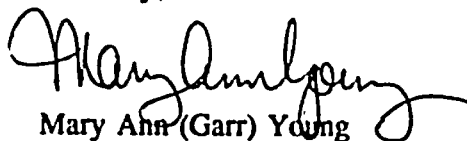
RE: Case No. TM-99-76  
Merger of SBC Communications, Inc., and Ameritech Corporation

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed please find an original and fourteen copies of the **McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc.'s Application to Intervene** for filing with the Commission in the above-referenced case.

Thank you for your assistance in processing this filing. A copy is being served on the parties of record this date. If there are any questions concerning this filing, please call me at 634-8109.

Sincerely,

  
Mary Ann (Garr) Young

Enclosure

cc: Office of Public Counsel  
David Conn  
Paul Lane, SWBT  
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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Missouri Public  
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In the matter of the Merger of  
SBC Communications Inc., and  
Ameritech Corporation

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Case No. TM-99-76

MCLEODUSA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, INC.'S  
APPLICATION TO INTERVENE

COMES NOW McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc. (McLeodUSA Telecom) by and through counsel, and for its Application to Intervene in this case pursuant to Section 386.420 RSMo. and 4 CSR 240-2.075, states as follows:

1. McLeodUSA Telecom is an Iowa corporation duly authorized to conduct business in Missouri with its principal offices located at McLeodUSA Technology Park, 6400 C Street SW, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52406-3177.

2. All communications and pleadings in this docket should be served on:

David Conn, Vice President  
Law and Regulatory Affairs  
McLeodUSA Telecommunications  
Services, Inc.  
McLeodUSA Technology Park  
6400 C Street SW  
Cedar Rapids IA 52406-3177

and

Mary Ann (Garr) Young  
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3. McLeodUSA Telecom is an authorized provider of competitive intrastate interexchange telecommunications service in Missouri and is also an authorized provider of competitive basic local telecommunications service in Missouri under certificates of service authority issued by this Commission. McLeodUSA Telecom also provides competitive telecommunications services in Ameritech's service territory in Illinois, Indiana and

Wisconsin, using both resold Ameritech services and unbundled network elements purchased in part from Ameritech.

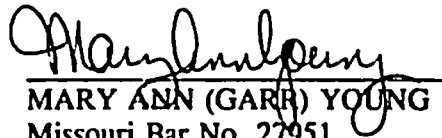
4. McLeodUSA Telecom's interest in this proceeding as a provider of competitive telecommunications service both in Southwestern Bell Telephone Company's (SWBT) service territory in Missouri and Ameritech's service territory in other states is different from that of the general public.

5. At this time, McLeodUSA Telecom has not determined its position regarding the merger. However, McLeodUSA Telecom's intervention in this proceeding is in the public interest because of its expertise in the telecommunications industry in general and its direct experience in dealing with Ameritech and SWBT in the competitive marketplace.

WHEREFORE, McLeodUSA Telecom respectfully requests the Missouri Public Service Commission to approve this Application to Intervene.

Respectfully submitted,

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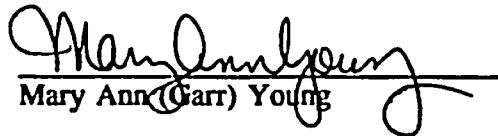
  
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TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, INC.

Dated: September 25, 1998

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a copy of this document has been hand delivered or mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid, on this 25th day of September, 1998, to Ameritech, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Sprint, the Office of Public Counsel and the General Counsel's office.

  
Mary Ann (Garr) Young