

STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

Docket No. 5900

Joint Petition of New England Telephone & Telegraph Company)
d/b/a NYNEX, NYNEX Corporation, and Bell Atlantic Corporation)
for approval of a merger of a wholly-owned subsidiary of Bell Atlantic)
Corporation into NYNEX Corporation (In Re: Compliance Phase)

ORDER ON MOTION FOR PARTIAL STAY

On February 15, 2000, New England Telephone and Telegraph Company d/b/a Bell Atlantic-Vermont ("Bell Atlantic") filed a motion for a partial stay pending review. The motion reported that Bell Atlantic anticipates an appeal of the Board's Order of January 31, 2000, ruling that it must offer voice messaging at a discount for resale.¹ The Department of Public Service ("DPS") filed on February 22 a Memorandum Opposing Motion for Partial Stay Pending Review. For the reasons outlined in this Board's prior Order and in the DPS's Memorandum Opposing Motion for Partial Stay Pending Review, the motion is denied.

DATED at Montpelier, Vermont, this 25th day of February, 2000.

s/Michael H. Dworkin)
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s/Suzanne D. Rude)
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s/David C. Coen)