

Amendment 9

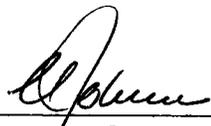
This Amendment 9 is entered into this 27 day of July 1999, by and between Ameritech Custom Business Services, a division of Ameritech services, Inc., a Delaware corporation, as Agent and Representative of the Ohio Bell Telephone Company, an Ohio Corporation, and Ameritech Information Systems, Inc., a Delaware Corporation (the "Contractor"), and the State of Ohio, Department of Administrative Services (the "State") and amend's the contract for Synchronous Optical Network (SONET) Infrastructure dated February 16, 1996 ("Contract").

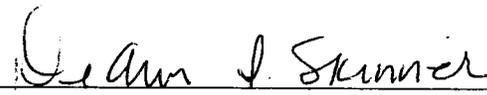
The parties hereto hereby amend the Contract as Follows:

- I. This Contract is amended to include a customer specific wide area network data only service using Frame Relay and ATM for Southeastern Ohio Voluntary Education Cooperative (SEOVEC). This service option is offered on an Individual Case Basis (ICB) only. This ICB for SEOVEC provides mutual benefit to the customer and the local exchange carriers for delivery of T1 services due to factors such as geographical location of sites, user applications, cost and technology deployment.
- II. This ICB network for SEOVEC will not utilize the State of Ohio InterLATA backbone infrastructure, therefore backbone cost recovery will not be allocated to the State.
- III. All other terms and conditions in the Contract shall remain unchanged.

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of Ameritech Services, Inc., a Delaware Corporation,
as Agent and representative of the Ohio Bell
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