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Public Utilities Commission of the State of South Dakota

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ALLTEL COMMUNICATIONS
One Allied Drive
Building IV
Little Rock, AR 72202
P.O. Box 2177, 72203-2177

501-905-8500

Bob Priebe
Staff Manager
State Government Affairs

501-905-8144
501-905-5679 fax

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SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC
UTILITIES COMMISSION

November 17, 2000

Mr. William Bullard, Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
Capitol Building, 1st floor
500 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

Re: ALLTEL Communications, Inc. – Application for Registration as a Provider of Resold Intrastate Telecommunications Services

Enclosed are an original and ten (10) copies of ALLTEL Communications, Inc.'s Application for Registration as a Provider of Resold Intrastate Telecommunications Services. It is our desire to begin offering service on 12-31-2000, and as such, if required, we respectfully request that this application be expedited to the extent possible.

If you have any questions, please call me at 501-905-8144.

Sincerely,

Bob Priebe

cc: Larry Whipkey
Mike Gately

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SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

In the Matter of the Application of ALLTEL Communications, Inc For Registration as a Provider of Resold Intrastate Telecommunications Services in the State of South Dakota	)))))	**TC No. ____________________**

APPLICATION

ALLTEL Communications, Inc. ("Applicant"), hereby requests a grant of Registration as a Provider of Resold Intrastate Telecommunications Services within the State of South Dakota by the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission ("Commission"). In support of its Application, Applicant provides the following information:

(1) The name, address, and telephone number of the applicant;

ALLTEL Communications, Inc.
One Allied Drive
Little Rock, AR 72201

Phone: 501-905-8000

(2) The name under which the applicant will provide these services if different than in subdivision (1) of this section;

N/A

(3) If the applicant is a corporation:

(a) The state in which it is incorporated, the date of incorporation, and a copy of its certificate of incorporation or, if it is an out-of-state corporation, a copy of its certificate of authority to transact business in South Dakota from the Secretary of State;

ALLTEL Communications, Inc. was incorporated in the state of Delaware on 1-16-96.

See ATTACHMENT 1 for a copy of the certificate of incorporation.

See ATTACHMENT 2 for a copy of the certificate of authority to transact business in South Dakota.

(b) The location of its principal office, if any, in this state and the name and address of its current registered agent;

Registered Agent: C T Corporation Systems
319 South Coteau
Pierre, South Dakota 57501

(c) The names and addresses of any corporation, association, partnership, cooperative, or individual holding a 20 percent or greater ownership or management interest in the applicant corporation and the amount and character of the ownership or management interest;

Name: **ALLTEL Mobile Communications, Inc.**

Address: **One Allied Drive**
Little Rock, AR 72202

Ownership: 100%

(d) The names and addresses of subsidiaries owned or controlled by the applicant;

None

(4) If the applicant is a partnership, the name, title, and business address of each partner, both general and limited;

N/A

5) A specific description of the telecommunications services the applicant intends to offer;

ALLTEL Communications, Inc. (ALLTEL) will offer resold intrastate, interstate and international long distance service, calling cards

(6) A detailed statement of the means by which the applicant will provide its services, including the type and quantity of equipment to be used in the operation, the capacity, and the expected use of the equipment;

ALLTEL will resell toll services of other carriers, mainly Sprint or Frontier. As a reseller we will not have any plant or equipment in South Dakota. We foresee no capacity problems with our chosen underlying carriers.

(7) The geographic areas in which the services will be offered, including a map describing the service area;

ALLTEL will offer resold services statewide.

(8) Current financial statements; a copy of the applicant's latest annual report; a copy of the applicant's report to stockholders; and a copy of applicant's tariff with the terms and conditions of service;

See ATTACHMENT 3 current financial statements

See ATTACHMENT 4 for Annual Report and Report to Stockholders
(Note: Annual Report and Report to Stockholders is produced for the parent company only, ALLTEL Communications.)

See ATTACHMENT 5 for Tariff

(9) The names and addresses of the applicant's representatives to whom all inquiries should be made regarding complaints and regulatory matters and a description of how the applicant handles customer billings and customer service matters;

Customer and Regulatory issues should be directed to:

Bob Priebe
One Allied Drive
Little Rock, AR 72202

501-905-8144
fax 501-905-5679

Customer bills are produced in-house and mailed monthly. Most customer issues can be resolved by our highly trained service representatives by dialing the toll free number published on the monthly billing statement. Customer service issues can be escalated through the Regulatory contact, at which time they are acted upon immediately.

(10) A list of the states in which the applicant is registered or certified to do business and if the applicant has ever been denied registration or certification in any state and the reasons for the denial;

ALLTEL Communications, Inc. is registered/certified to provide Long Distance service in Alabama, Arkansas, Texas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Ohio, Kentucky, New York, and Pennsylvania.

ALLTEL Communications, Inc. has not been denied registration or certification in any state, and is in good standing in all states in which registered.

(11) A detailed description of how the applicant intends to market its services, the qualifications of its marketing sales personnel, its target market, whether the applicant engages in any multilevel marketing, and copies of any company brochures used to assist in the sale of services.

ALLTEL Communications, Inc. primarily utilizes relationship marketing (within the scope of the Federal C.P.N.I. regulations) thereby leveraging our current customer relationships and our reputation for providing quality service at quality prices. ALLTEL Communications, Inc.'s Long Distance services recently ranked second in the J.D. Power and Associates 2000 Residential Long-Distance Customer Satisfaction Index (CSI) Study. We do not use outside telemarketers. We will target national accounts but we will not preclude anybody from applying for our long distance service offerings.

Copies of sales brochures are contained in Attachment 6.

(12) Cost support for rates shown in the company's tariff for all noncompetitive or emerging competitive services.

N/A

ATTACHMENT 1
Certificate of Incorporation

State of Delaware

Office of the Secretary of State

I, EDWARD J. FREEL, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF "ALLTEL LONG DISTANCE, INC.", FILED IN THIS OFFICE ON THE SIXTEENTH DAY OF AUGUST, A.D. 1995, AT 3:15 O'CLOCK P.M.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE · DELAWARE

Edward J. Freel

Edward J. Freel, Secretary of State

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AUTHENTICATION: 7790306

DATE: 01-16-96

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CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION
OF
ALLTEL LONG DISTANCE, INC.

The undersigned, desiring to form a corporation for profit under Delaware General Corporation Law, does hereby certify:

FIRST. The name of the Corporation is ALLTEL Long Distance, Inc.

SECOND. The address of the Corporation's registered office in the State of Delaware is Corporation Trust Center, 1209 Orange Street in the City of Wilmington, County of New Castle, and the name of its registered agent at that address is The Corporation Trust Company.

THIRD. The nature of the business or purpose to be conducted or promoted by the Corporation is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the General Corporation Law of Delaware.

FOURTH. The total number of shares of stock which the Corporation shall have authority to issue is 1,000 shares of Common Stock, and the par value of each of such shares is $1.00.

FIFTH. The name and mailing address of the incorporator are as follows:

NAME	MAILING ADDRESS
Stephen B. Rowell	One Allied Drive Little Rock, Arkansas 72202

SIXTH. Each person who was or is made a party or is threatened to be made a party to or is involved in any action, lawsuit, or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative, or investigative (hereinafter a "proceeding"), by reason of the fact that he, or a person of whom he is the legal representative, is or was a director, officer, employee, or agent of the Corporation or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee, or agent of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust, or other enterprise, including service with respect to employee benefit plans, whether the basis of such proceeding is alleged action in an official capacity as a director, officer, employee, or agent or in any other capacity while serving as a director, officer, employee or agent, shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Corporation to the fullest extent authorized by the Delaware General Corporation Law, as from time to time in effect.

SEVENTH. The Corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change, or repeal any provision contained in this certificate of incorporation, in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by statute, and all rights conferred upon stockholders herein are granted subject to this reservation.

THE UNDERSIGNED, being the incorporator, for the purpose of forming a corporation in accordance with the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, does make this certificate of incorporation, hereby declaring and certifying that the facts herein stated are true, and accordingly has hereunto set his hand on August 16, 1995.

Stephen B. Rowell

STATE OF ARKANSAS)
) SS
COUNTY OF PULASKI)

BE IT REMEMBERED that, on August 16 , 1995, personally came before me, a Notary Public for the State of Arkansas, Stephen B. Rowell, the party to the foregoing certificate of incorporation, known to me personally to be such, and acknowledge the said certificate to be his act and deed and that the facts therein stated are truly set forth.

GIVEN under my hand and seal of office the day and year aforesaid.

MARIE K. WALTON NOTARY PUBLIC PULASKI COUNTY, ARK.

Marie Walton
NOTARY PUBLIC
11-07-2004

State of Delaware

Office of the Secretary of State

I, EDWARD J. FREEL, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT OF "ALLTEL LONG DISTANCE, INC.", CHANGING ITS NAME FROM "ALLTEL LONG DISTANCE, INC." TO "ALLTEL COMMUNICATION, INC.", FILED IN THIS OFFICE ON THE TWENTIETH DAY OF JUNE, A.D. 1996, AT 4:15 O'CLOCK P.M.

A CERTIFIED COPY OF THIS CERTIFICATE HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY RECORDER OF DEEDS FOR RECORDING.

Edward J. Freel, Secretary of State

AUTHENTICATION: 7996699

DATE: 06-21-96

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CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT

OF

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

ALLTEL Long Distance, Inc., a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, DOES HEREBY CERTIFY:

FIRST: That the Board of Directors of ALLTEL Long Distance, Inc., by the unanimous written consent of its members, filed with the minutes of the board, duly adopted resolutions setting forth a proposed amendment to the Certificate of Incorporation of said corporation, declaring said amendment to be advisable and calling a meeting of the stockholders of said corporation for consideration thereof. The resolution setting forth the proposed amendment is as follows:

> RESOLVED, That the Certificate of Incorporation of this corporation be amended by changing the First Article thereof so that, as amended said Article shall be and read as follows:
>
> "The name of the Corporation is ALLTEL Communication, Inc."

SECOND: That thereafter, pursuant to resolution of its Board of Directors, a special meeting of the stockholders of said corporation was duly called and held, at which meeting the necessary number of shares as required by statute were voted in favor of the amendment.

THIRD: That said amendment was duly adopted in accordance with the provisions of Section 242 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, said ALLTEL Long Distance, Inc. has caused this certificate to be signed by Michael T. Flynn, its President, this 20th day of June, 1996.

ALLTEL Long Distance, Inc.

By: Michael T. Flynn

Name: Michael T. Flynn

Title: President

State of Delaware

Office of the Secretary of State

I, EDWARD J. FREEL, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT OF "ALLTEL COMMUNICATION, INC.", CHANGING ITS NAME FROM "ALLTEL COMMUNICATION, INC." TO "ALLTEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC.", FILED IN THIS OFFICE ON THE TWENTY-FIFTH DAY OF NOVEMBER, A.D. 1996, AT 10:01 O'CLOCK A.M.

A CERTIFIED COPY OF THIS CERTIFICATE HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY RECORDER OF DEEDS FOR RECORDING.

Edward J. Freel, Secretary of State

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AUTHENTICATION: 8209444

DATE: 11-25-96

CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT

OF

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, said ALLTEL Communication, Inc. has caused this certificate to be signed by J. Scott Chesbro, its President, this 30th day of October, 1996.

ALLTEL Communication, Inc.

By: J. Scott Chesbro

Name: J. Scott Chesbro
Title: President

ATTACHMENT 2

Certificate of Authority to transact business in South Dakota

Secretary of State

State Capitol, Ste 204
500 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, South Dakota
57501-5070
sdsos@state.sd.us

JOYCE HAZELTINE
Secretary of State

TOM LECKEY
Deputy

To: C T CORPORATION SYSTEM
JONATHAN MILES
120 S CENTRAL AVE
CLAYTON MO 63105

Received by
State Government Affairs
Date NOV 1 7 2000

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From: Secretary of State Joyce Hazeltine
Corporations Division

Date: October 25, 2000

Re: ALLTEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC. (DE)
Foreign Certificate of Authority

The application for certificate of authority has been received and filed for the **ALLTEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC. (DE).**

Enclosed is the Certificate attached to the duplicate application along with a receipt for the filing fee of $90 for 1,000 shares at $1 par.

SDCL: 47-9-3 requires the filing of a corporate annual report with our office between the anniversary date of qualification and prior to the first day of the second month following. The report is due the year following qualification. An annual report form will be mailed to the corporate address listed in number five on the application for timely filing. Please contact our office if the corporate address changes or if the form is not received.

Thank you.

http://www.state.sd.us/sos/sos.htm

Administration
(605) 773-3537
Fax (605) 773-6580
TDD (605) 773-5010

Corporations
(605) 773-4845
Fax (605) 773-4550

Uniform Commercial Code
(605) 773-4422
Fax (605) 773-4550

State of South Dakota

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Certificate of Authority

I, JOYCE HAZELTINE, Secretary of State of the State of South Dakota, hereby certify that the Application for a Certificate of Authority of **ALLTEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC. (DE)** to transact business in this state duly signed and verified pursuant to the provisions of the South Dakota Corporation Acts, have been received in this office and are found to conform to law.

ACCORDINGLY and by virtue of the authority vested in me by law, I hereby issue this Certificate of Authority and attach hereto a duplicate of the application to transact business in this state.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, at Pierre, the Capital, this October 25, 2000.

Joyce Hazeltine
Secretary of State

Secretary of State
State Capitol
500 E. Capitol Ave.
Pierre SD 57501
Phone 605-773-4845
Fax

Filed this ___ day of ___ 20__

Joyce Hazeltine

SECRETARY OF STATE

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Application for Certificate of Authority

Pursuant to the provisions of SDCL 47-8-7, the undersigned corporation hereby applies for a Certificate of Authority to transact business in the State of South Dakota and for that purpose submits the following statement:

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(1) The name of the corporation is ______________________________
(exact corporate name)
ALLTEL Communications, Inc.

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(2) If the name of the corporation does not contain the word "corporation", "company", "incorporated" or "limited" or does not contain an abbreviation of one of such words, then the name of the corporation with the word or abbreviation which it elects to add thereto for use in this state is ______________________________

(3) State where incorporated Delaware Federal Taxpayer ID# 71-0781563

(4) The date of its incorporation is 08/16/1995 and the period of its duration, which may be perpetual, is Perpetual.

(5) The address of its principal office in the state or country under the laws of which it is incorporated is
The Corporation Trust Company 1209 Orange Street, Wilmington, Delaware Zip Code 19801
mailing address if different from above is:
____
______________________________ Zip Code ______

(6) The street address, or a statement that there is no street address, of its proposed registered office in the State of South Dakota is c/o C T Corporation System, 319 S. Coteau Street, Pierre, South Dakota Zip Code 57501
and the name of its proposed registered agent in the State of South Dakota at that address is C T Corporation System.

(7) The purposes which it proposes to pursue in the transaction of business in the State of South Dakota are: (state specific purpose)
See Attachment

(8) The names and respective addresses of its directors and officers are:

Name	Officer Title	Street Address	City	State	Zip
See attached rider					

(9) The aggregate number of shares which it has authority to issue, itemized by classes, par value of shares, shares without par value, and series, if any, within a class is:

Number of shares	Class	Series	Par value per share or statement that shares are without par value
1000	common		1.00

(10) The aggregate number of its issued shares, itemized by classes, par value of shares, shares without par value, and series, if any, within a class, is:

Number of shares	Class	Series	Par value per share or statement that shares are without par value
[illegible]	common		1.00

(11) The amount of its stated capital is $ 1,000.00
Shares issued times par value equals stated capital. In the case of no par value stock, stated capital is the consideration received for the issued shares.

(12) This application is accompanied by a CERTIFICATE OF FACT or a CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING duly authenticated by the Secretary of State or other officer having custody of corporate records in the state or country under whose laws it is incorporated.

(13) That such corporation shall not directly or indirectly combine or make any contract with any incorporated company, foreign or domestic, through their stockholders or the trustees or assigns of such stockholders, or with any copartnership or association of persons, or in any manner whatever to fix the prices, limit the production or regulate the transportation of any product or commodity so as to prevent competition in such prices, production or transportation or to establish excessive prices therefor.

(14) That such corporation, as a consideration of its being permitted to begin or continue doing business within the State of South Dakota, will comply with all the laws of the said State with regard to foreign corporations.

The application must be signed, in the presence of a notary public, by the chairman of the board of directors, or by the president or by another officer.

I DECLARE AND AFFIRM UNDER THE PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT THIS APPLICATION IS IN ALL THINGS, TRUE AND CORRECT.

Date 6-30 19 2000

Michael T. Flynn
(Signature)

Group President
(Title)

STATE OF Arkansas
COUNTY OF Pulaski
I, [illegible], a notary public, do hereby certify that on this 30th day of June 19 2000 personally appeared before me, MICHAEL T. FLYNN who, being by me first duly sworn, declared that he/she is the Group President of ALLTEL Communications, Inc., that he/she signed the foregoing document as officer of the corporation, and the statements therein contained are true.

[illegible]
My Commission Expires

[illegible]
(Notary Public)

Notarial Seal

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The Consent of Appointment below must be signed by the registered agent listed in number six.

Consent of Appointment by the Registered Agent

I, C T Corporation System, hereby give my consent to serve as the registered
(name of registered agent)
agent for ALLTEL Communications, Inc.
(corporate name)

C T Corporation System

Dated June 30, 2000 By: ______
(signature of registered agent)

J. L. Miles - Asst. Sect.

The proper filing fee must accompany the application. Make checks payable to the Secretary of State.

FEE SCHEDULE

Authorized capital stock of	25,000	or less	$ 90
Over $25,000 and not exceeding	100,000		110
Over $100,000 and not exceeding	500,000		130
Over $500,000 and not exceeding	1,000,000		150
Over $1,000,000 and not exceeding	1,500,000		200
Over $1,500,000 and not exceeding	2,000,000		250
Over $2,000,000 and not exceeding	2,500,000		300
Over $2,500,000 and not exceeding	3,000,000		350
Over $3,000,000 and not exceeding	3,500,000		400
Over $3,500,000 and not exceeding	4,000,000		450
Over $4,000,000 and not exceeding	4,500,000		500
Over $4,500,000 and not exceeding	5,000,000		550

For each additional $500,000, $40 in addition to $550.

For purposes only of computing fees under this section, the dollar value of each authorized share having a par value shall be equal to par value and the value of each authorized share having no par value shall be equal to one hundred dollars per share. The maximum amount charged under this subdivision may not exceed sixteen thousand dollars.

FILING INSTRUCTIONS:

The application must be signed, in the presence of a notary public, by the chairman of the board of directors, or its president, or any other officer. **One original and one photocopy of the application must be submitted.**

The application must be accompanied by an **original, currently dated, CERTIFICATE OF FACT** or a **CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING** from the Secretary of State in the state where incorporated. A photocopy of a certificate is not acceptable. It should be dated within ninety (90) days of submitting it to our office.

South Dakota law requires every corporation to continuously maintain a resident of this state as the registered agent (number six on the application). The registered agent's address is considered the registered office address of the corporation in South Dakota. A complete street address must be listed for service of process.

The Consent of Registered Agent portion must be signed by the South Dakota registered agent.

Mail the application, certificate, and filing fee to the Secretary of State, Corporate Division, 500 E. Capitol Avenue, Pierre, SD 57501-5070. The duplicate and a Certificate of Authority will be returned for your records.

Addendum to

South Dakota Application for Certificate of Authority

Item 7: (Purpose Clause)

Provision of telecommunncation services

ATTACHMENT

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS OF ALLTEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

NAME	TITLE	ADDRESS
Scott T. Ford	President & Chief Operating Officer/Director	One Allied Drive Little Rock, AR 72202
Francis X. Frantz	Executive Vice President & Secretary	One Allied Drive Little Rock, AR 72202
Kevin L. Beebe	Group President – Communications	One Allied Drive Little Rock, AR 72202
Michael T. Flynn	Group President – Communications	One Allied Drive Little Rock, AR 72202
Jeffery R. Gardner	Senior Vice President & Chief Financial Officer	One Allied Drive Little Rock, AR 72202
John Mueller	Treasurer	One Allied Drive Little Rock, AR 72202
David A. Atkins	President – Central Region	One Allied Drive Little Rock, AR 72202
Dan P. Thompson	President – Southeast Region	One Allied Drive Little Rock, AR 72202
Dan Lohr	President – Mid-Atlantic Region	One Allied Drive Little Rock, AR 72202
George A. Page	President – Northern Region	One Allied Drive Little Rock, AR 72202
Philip Junker	President – Southwest Region	One Allied Drive Little Rock, AR 72202

ATTACHMENT 3
Current Financial Statements

ALLTEL Communications, Inc.
Statement of Income
As of December 31, 1999
(000's)

Revenues		
Service Revenues	$	523,777,630
Rents		2,240,714
Other Revenues		57,478,715
Less Cost of Goods Sold		(70,428,863)
Total Revenues		513,068,196
Expenses		
Salaries & Wages		48,877,858
Repairs and Maintenance		1,240,267
Bad Debt Expense		21,464,932
Rents		8,187,759
Business Taxes		10,784,576
Contributions		246,781
Depreciation and Amortization		58,192,494
Advertising		18,059,876
Other Deductions		276,940,780
Total Service Expense		443,995,323
Operating Margin		69,072,873
Other Income/(Expense)		
Interest Income		1,258,230
Interest Expense		(39,448,703)
Net gain or (loss)		(434,732)
Interest Charged to Construction		14,234,081
Total Other Income/(Expense)		(24,391,124)
Income Before Interest & Taxes		44,681,749
Income Taxes		32,172,879
Net Income	$	12,508,870

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Balance Sheet

As of December 31, 1999 & 1998

ASSETS	December 31, 1999	December 31, 1998
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash	$ [illegible]	$ [illegible]
Accounts Receivable		
Customers	109,231,055	42,128,973
Reserve Doubtful Accounts	(5,856,518)	(4,775,044)
Total Receivables	103,374,537	37,353,929
Inventory	10,182,913	2,901,120
Other Current Assets	773,595	2,409,457
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	114,406,094	42,721,136
PLANT AND EQUIPMENT		
System Equipment	646,982,640	423,157,383
Non-System Equipment	10,434,543	10,138,018
	657,417,183	433,295,401
Accumulated Depreciation	(232,062,868)	(171,356,488)
NET PLANT AND EQUIPMENT	425,354,315	261,938,913
Long Term Investments	168,096,791	143,631,627
Other Assets	125,486,394	161,908,313
Intangibles	344,354,213	287,422,754
TOTAL ASSETS	$ 1,177,699,807	$ 897,622,745

LIABILITIES & CAPITAL	December 31, 1999	December 31, 1998
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable-Trade	$ 55,576,176	$ 44,118,351
Current Maturities-Long Term Debt	6,455,994	2,918,339
Other Accrued Liabilities	850,550,131	617,910,368
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	912,582,301	664,945,058
Long Term Debt	1,923,776	4,379,023
Other Long Term Liabilities	18,822,540	3,427,416
TOTAL LIABILITIES	933,328,617	672,754,499
STOCKHOLDER EQUITY		
Capital Stock	1,000	1,000
Paid in Capital	63,426,004	56,431,930
Retained Earnings	180,944,186	168,435,316
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY	244,371,190	224,868,246
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	$ 1,177,699,807	$ 897,622,745

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ALLTEL Corporation
Annual Report and
Report to Stockholders

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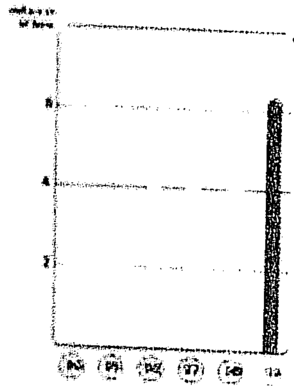
1999 ANNUAL REPORT

ALLTEL



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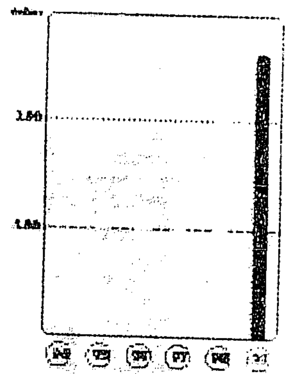

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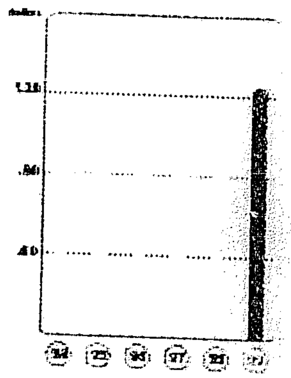

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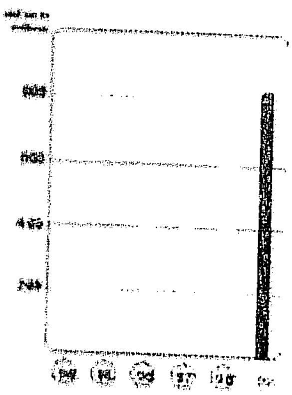

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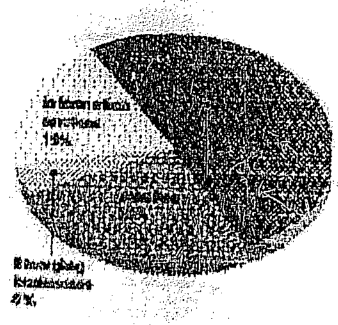

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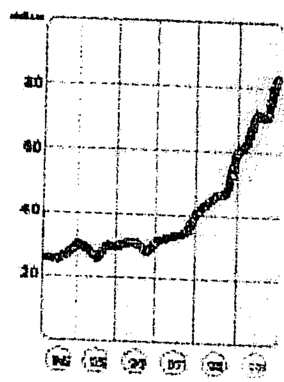

Stock Price

*From current businesses. Current businesses excludes the sold wireline, healthcare, wire and cable operations, merger and integration expenses and other charges, provision to reduce carrying value of certain assets, and the gain on disposal of assets.

to the future

Many communications companies have promised their customers the fully integrated service packages envisioned by the Telecommunications Act of 1996. In 1998, as we completed our first full year of Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC) operations, ALLTEL became one of the very few in the industry to make the promise a reality. With our strong customer relationships, a critical mass in our customer base and our in-house systems expertise, this was the year when all the pieces fell into place and the world saw us for what we really are — one of the few companies in the industry that is truly geared for growth

CONTENTS

For the years ended December 31 (Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)	1999	1998	Increase (Decrease) Amount	%	1997
FROM CURRENT BUSINESSES					
Revenues and sales					
Wireless	$ 2,743,251	$ 2,339,756	$ 403,495	17	$ 1,986,807
Wireline	1,677,457	1,499,207	178,250	12	1,416,272
Emerging businesses	280,250	167,318	112,932	67	100,770
Total communications	4,700,958	4,006,281	694,677	17	3,503,849
Information services	1,245,503	1,161,768	83,735	7	974,151
Other operations	579,818	601,350	(21,532)	(4)	436,075
Less: intercompany eliminations	224,008	142,604	81,404	57	49,964
Total revenues and sales	$ 6,302,271	$ 5,626,795	$ 675,476	12	$ 4,864,111
Operating income (loss)					
Wireless	$ 886,478	$ 674,606	$ 211,872	31	$ 506,875
Wireline	619,064	530,573	88,491	17	506,159
Emerging businesses	(47,241)	(37,977)	(9,264)	(24)	(16,420)
Total communications	1,458,301	1,167,202	291,099	25	996,614
Information services	175,316	162,651	12,665	8	144,928
Other operations	21,561	25,926	(4,365)	(17)	20,466
Less: corporate expenses	39,551	22,852	16,699	73	17,359
Total operating income	$ 1,615,627	$ 1,332,927	$ 282,700	21	$ 1,144,649
Net income	$ 822,493	$ 660,054	$ 162,439	25	$ 541,902
Basic earnings per share	$2.63	$2.16	$.47	22	$1.76
Diluted earnings per share	$2.59	$2.14	$.45	21	$1.75
Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization	$ 2,477,799	$ 2,107,476	$ 370,323	18	$ 1,843,422
AS REPORTED:					
Revenues and sales	$ 6,302,271	$ 5,626,795	$ 675,476	12	$ 4,906,958
Operating income	$ 1,525,107	$ 1,025,927	$ 499,180	49	$ 1,129,191
Net income	$ 783,634	$ 603,127	$ 180,507	30	$ 652,481
Basic earnings per share	$2.50	$1.97	$.53	27	$2.12
Diluted earnings per share	$2.47	$1.95	$.52	27	$2.10
Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization	$ 2,387,279	$ 1,800,476	$ 586,803	33	$ 1,828,287
Weighted average common shares	312,841,000	305,344,000	7,497,000	2	307,884,000
Current annual dividend rate per common share	$1.28	$1.22	$.06	5	$1.16
AT YEAR END:					
Total assets	$ 10,774,203	$ 10,155,454	$ 618,749	6	$ 9,232,007
Wireless customers	5,018,614	4,452,049	566,565	13	3,824,094
Wireline customers	2,433,092	2,181,859	251,233	12	2,062,877
Long-distance customers	894,160	576,479	317,681	55	400,344
Employees	24,440	23,523	917	4	22,518
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	$ 1,006,475	$ 998,004	$ 8,471	1	$ 899,723

Current Businesses excludes the cord wire and cable operations, merger and integration expenses and other charges, provision to reduce carrying value of certain assets, and the gain on disposal of assets.

Emerging businesses includes long-distance, local competitive access, Internet access, network management and PCS operations.

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Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

a new chapter

1999 marked a new chapter in ALLTEL's history. In addition to achieving record results from current businesses and posting record high stock prices, we completed significant mergers with Aliant Communications and Liberty Cellular and established a firm foothold as a CLEC in Arkansas, Florida, Nebraska, North Carolina, Pennsylvania and Virginia. At the end of a five-year period that has seen a 26 percent compounded total annual return on shareholder investment, ALLTEL can boast 8.5 million communications customers in 25 states and more than a thousand information services customers in 55 countries worldwide. In both these businesses, we can count ourselves a more formidable competitor than ever in the markets we choose to serve.

A RECORD YEAR ALLTEL's 1999 revenues from current businesses and basic earnings per share were $6.3 billion and $2.63, respectively, up 12 percent and 22 percent from the prior year.

In our Communications business, revenue and operating cash flow grew 17 percent and 21 percent, respectively, to $4.7 billion and $2.2 billion.

In Information Services, we delivered record revenue of $1.2 billion and operating income of $175 million.

Thanks to the Company's continuing strong performance, ALLTEL stock reached a record year-end price of $82 11/16, a 38 percent increase over the 1998 year-end price. The Board approved the 39th consecutive dividend increase since the Company's founding, raising the indicated annual rate 5 percent to $1.28 per common share.

DYNAMIC GROWTH A significant part of ALLTEL's growth during the year was from our continuing acquisition activity. As well as marking the first full year of operations for the combined ALLTEL/360° Communications, 1999 saw the completion of major mergers with Georgia-based Standard Group, Nebraska-based Aliant Communications and Kansas-based Liberty Cellular. These and smaller acquisitions in Alabama and Colorado dynamically expanded the Company's geographic footprint, allowing us to accelerate our strategy of leveraging wireless customer relationships to introduce bundled communications services throughout our markets.

This strategic momentum continued early this year with the announcement on February 1, 2000, of the transfer of wireless interests between ALLTEL, Bell Atlantic and GTE in 13 states. In addition to increasing our wireless customer base by about 15 percent, this transaction will significantly enhance ALLTEL's geographic market clusters and will give us unprecedented low-cost access to a nationwide digital footprint covering 95 percent of the United States population.

New acquisitions, strong market share gains against incumbent competitors, and high penetration rates for bundled services: all these factors helped ALLTEL achieve significant growth in 1999 and establish momentum for the future. As we leave the 20th century and move forward into a new millennium, I am confident that ALLTEL can maintain this momentum and continue on its path as one of the fastest-growing companies in our industry.

Joe T. Ford
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
February 1, 2000

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President and Chief Operating Officer

geared for growth

Three years ago, our communications customers thought of us as either the local phone company or a wireless company. Two years ago, some thought of us as their long-distance or Internet company as well. Today, they think of us as simply their communications company.

NEW RULES, NEW GAME Why is this shift from a single service provider to a complete communications company so significant? First, the pre-1996 regulatory environment made the idea of an integrated communications company impossible. Today, the economics of the communications technology revolution make it not only possible, but almost mandatory. ALLTEL's business model combines the scale and presence of the nation's sixth largest telecommunications access provider and its established customer relationships with newly deployed digital technology capable of serving a customer's complete communications needs. In this light we are unique in this country.

To be successful as a multi-service provider, we must seamlessly support our customers with an integrated service delivery business model. ALLTEL has such a platform. In fact, we were the first in the industry to converge our wireless and wireline operations; among the first to deliver multiple service charges on a single bill; and a market leader in delivering fully integrated services to thousands of business and residential customers in the 26 CLEC cities we now serve.

Most importantly, even with the best technologies, customers will not give you more business unless they know and trust you. Thanks to our strategic focus on geographic clusters, these relationships are ALLTEL's strongest suit, and they will continue to be our most powerful weapon for attacking new markets and maintaining our outstanding growth in the future.

AHEAD OF THE GAME By quickly positioning ourselves as a total communications provider, we have created a position of immense competitive strength. Already, our wireless properties cover 39 million controlled POPS (population served). Digital service, including wireless e-mail, is available to 70 percent of our customers. And, with the new ALLTEL/Bell Atlantic/GTE roaming agreement, our customers will have access to the largest standardized digital wireless network in America — placing ALLTEL in a strong position to benefit from the impending wireless data explosion.

THIS WAY TO THE FUTURE Technologically, operationally and organizationally, we are geared for growth. I believe that in today's communications environment, exceptional shareholder returns will accrue to those companies that leverage not just the scale of their size, but also the scope of their relationship with their customers. As our results in 1999 demonstrate, customers recognize and value the advantages of our simple, seamless approach, and they are rewarding us with the enthusiasm and loyalty shared by the individuals featured in this report.

this way

DOMESTIC

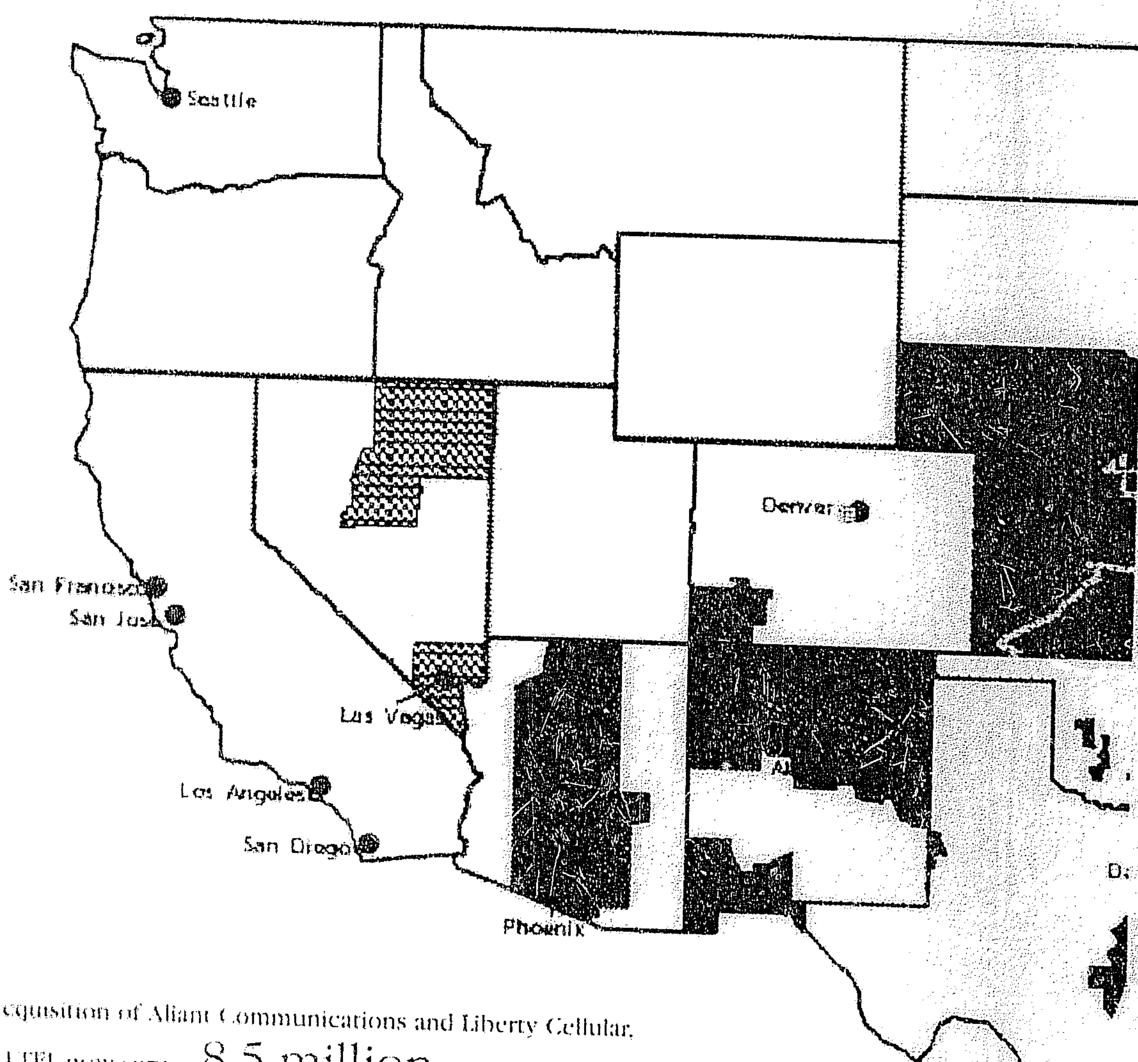
INTERNATIONAL

After another year of strategic acquisition and growth,ALLTEL now serves 8.5 million communications customers in 25 states and provides information services to the telecommunications and financial services industries in 55 countries around the world.

For an overview of our domestic communications coverage,please open the flap. For an overview of our international presence,please turn to the next page.

this way to the future

Our wireless penetration in the markets we serve is
nearly 13 percent – among the highest in the industry.



With the acquisition of Aliant Communications and Liberty Cellular,
ALLTEL now serves 8.5 million
communications customers in 25 states.

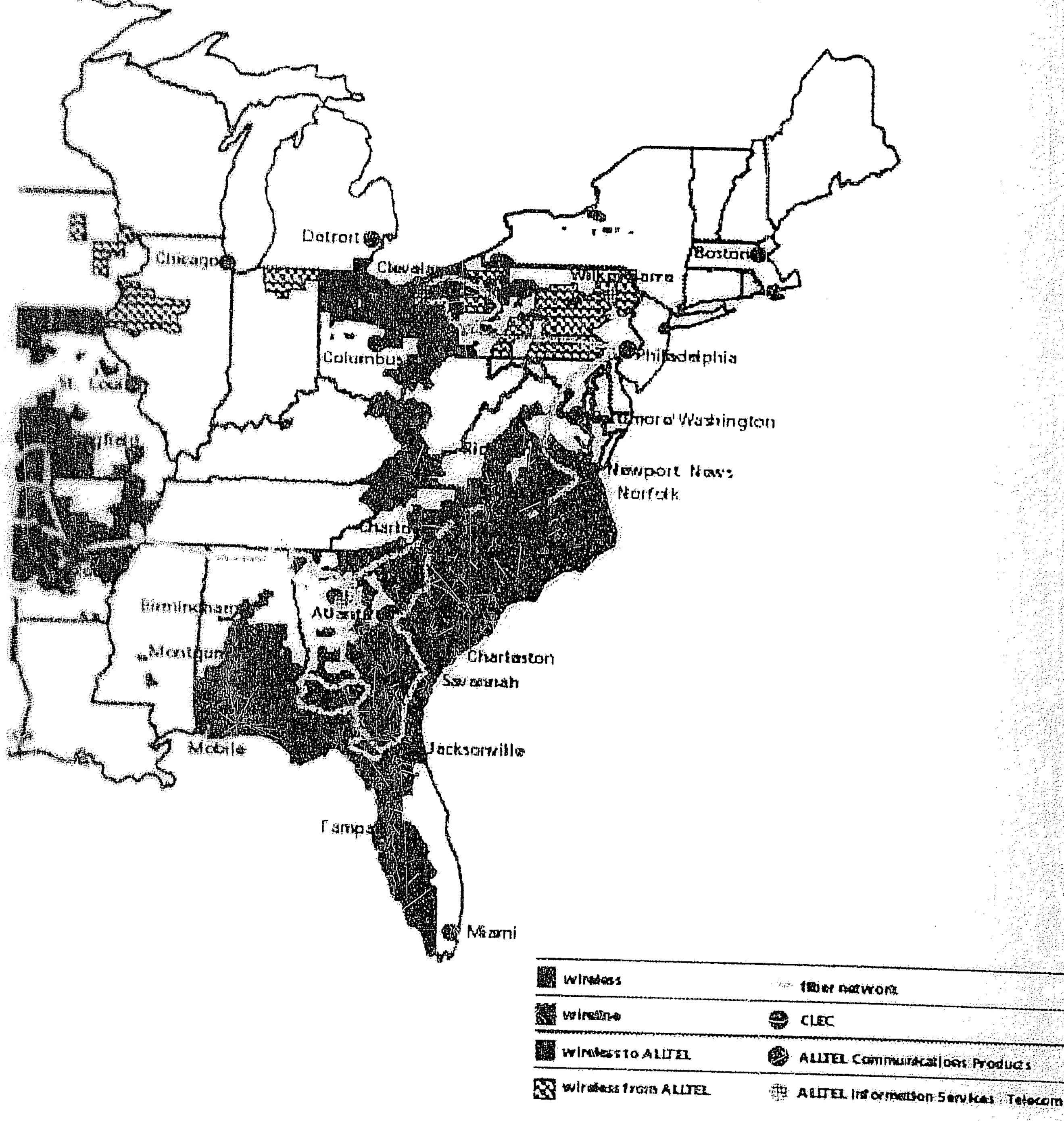
Through expansion and acquisition in 1999, ALLTEL's fiber optic network
grew from 8,500 miles to 15,000 miles,
providing better service at lower costs from Nebraska to Florida.

Since 1996, our long-distance customer base

has grown from zero to 900,000.

Our Internet business has grown to

150,000 customers since 1997.



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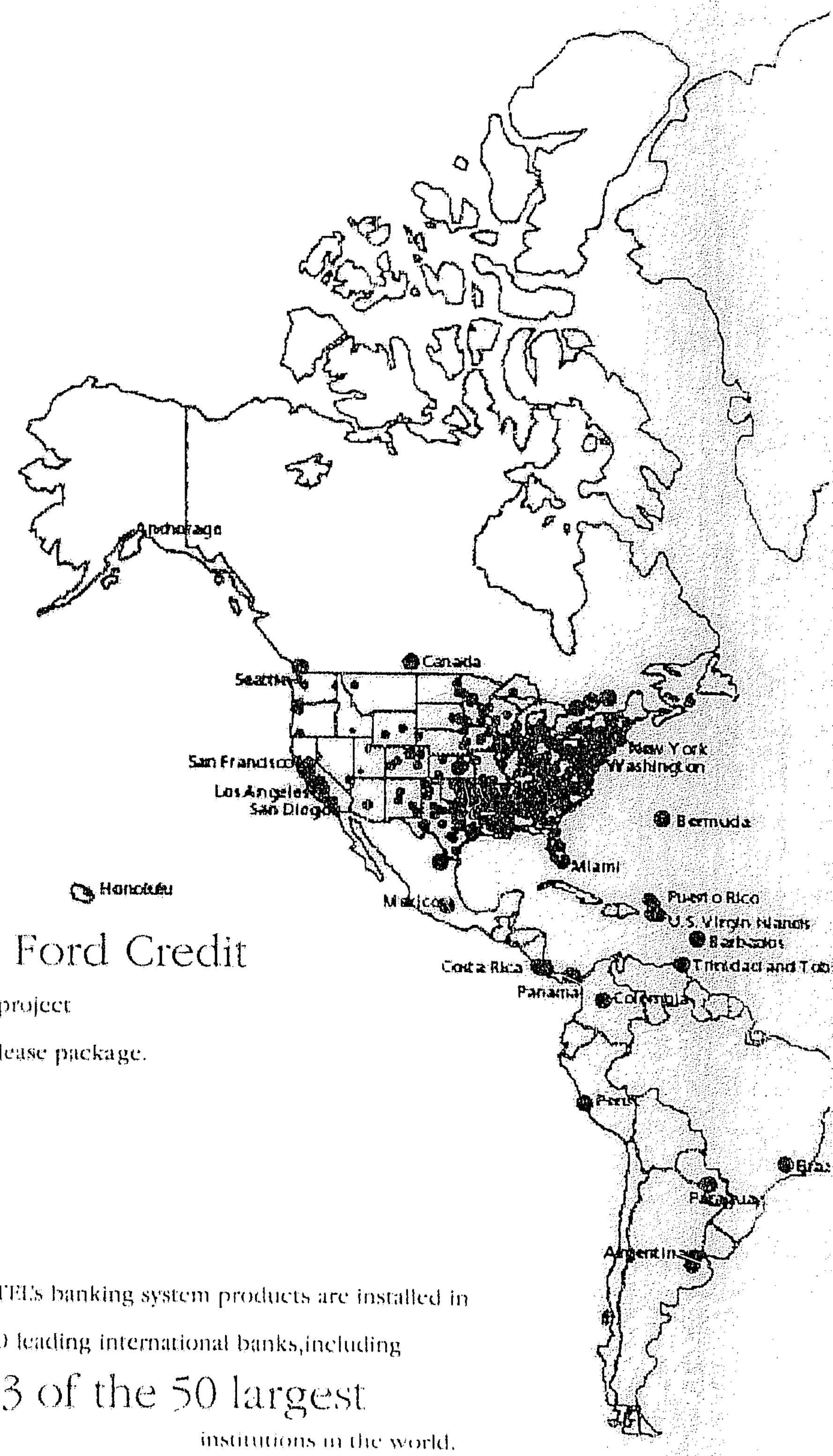

In 1999, ALLTEL and Ford Credit completed the first stage of a joint project to create a model loan-and-lease package.

ALLTEL's banking system products are installed in more than 30 leading international banks, including

23 of the 50 largest

institutions in the world.


Finland
Russia
Turkey
Cyprus
Lebanon
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Macau
Saipan
Philippines
Guam
Thailand
Malaysia
Singapore
Indonesia
Australia
New Zealand
ALLTEL Information Services office & staff
client site

ALLTEL success through customer success

For both of ALLTEL's largest business units, a record-breaking 1999 showed once again that by combining an intimate knowledge of our chosen markets with continual advances in the reach, functionality and integration of our products and services, we can deliver outstanding value to customers, stockholders and employees alike.

ALLTEL COMMUNICATIONS For business and residential customers in ALLTEL's new CLEC service areas, our offer could hardly have been clearer. On the one hand, they could continue sourcing services from multiple suppliers, with multiple points of contact and multiple monthly bills. Or, on the other, they could source everything from a trusted local name, make meaningful cost savings and deal with their supplier via a single bill and a single point of local contact.

Judging by the response — from 20,000 access line organizations such as the State of Arkansas right down to individual consumers — it was an offer that customers were more than ready to embrace.

THE POWER TO SIMPLIFY The simplicity, convenience and value of service bundling were not limited to our CLEC customers. In early 1999, we were offering targeted, competitively priced packages in every one of our major markets, and, by year-end, more than 90 percent of those markets were ready to provide the combined services on a single bill. To date, 20 percent of the households we serve have purchased more than one ALLTEL service, and the trend is accelerating as we leverage our relationship with existing wireless customers and those acquired through recent merg ers,including Aliant Communications and Liberty Cellular. Our wireless customers have also benefited from the significant g rowth in service co verage resulting from recent merger and acquisition activity . With our Souther n Advantage service, for example,a flat monthly fee buys 300 minutes of toll-free and roaming-free minutes in a local calling area co vering seven states.Add to this the advantages of new services such as Digital Advisor , an e-mail and numeric and text pa ging capability for digital wireless phones,and it is easy to see wh y ALLTEL's wireless penetration rate is among the highest in the industr y.

ALL COMPETITION IS LOCAL True to ALLTEL's regionally focused approach, we continue to pr ovide many of our mar kets with more service personnel than any other competitor;in many cases,more than all other competitors combined. Far from being "overhead," this le vel of visibility has proven to be our strongest card when it comes to expanding our customer relationships into new areas such as long-distance and Internet.Our CLEC successes confirm the ongoing strength of ALLTEL 's relationship-based strateg y, and as we of fer our bundled services to ne w, carefully targeted markets,it is clearer than e ver that 1999 was only the first taste of what we will achie ve.

ALLTEL INFORMATION SERVICES Behind most ALLTEL success stories lies the expertise of our Information Services business,one of the lar gest and most experienced information technology g roups in the industr y. In addition to serving financial institutions and telecommunications pr oviders around the world,ALLTEL Information Services was instrumental in helping the entire Company achie ve Year 2000 compliance for all critical internal computer systems,infrastructure and software systems.ALLTEL 's commitment to continuing quality service was maintained with no significant Y2K issues.

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP In 1999,ALLTEL's Telecommunication Services division helped drive the Company's communications strategy by converting nearly one million ALLTEL accounts to its Virtuoso II customer care and billing system.Using this system,the Company streamlined business processes by moving tow ard a single wireless billing system, reduced duplicative investments in multiple platforms,and improved training and customer service effectiveness with a simpler , more po werful user interface.In addition to sup - porting ALLTEL's own operations, Telecommunication Services de veloped an electronic bill presentment,payment and on-line catalog solution for another wireless provider and managed worldwide data center outsourcing of mission critical systems for one of the world's largest consulting firms.

A GLOBAL LENDING STRATEGY Among ALLTEL's Financial Services clients, banks and other institutions slowed their upgrade and service enhancement programs to concentrate on millennium-related issues. Thanks to Information Services' flexible cost structure, the slow-down did not materially affect growth or profitability, nor did it prevent the Financial Services division from passing major milestones in its drive to become the world leader in automated lending solutions.

The acquisition of Corporate Solutions International allows ALLTEL to offer a world-class consumer loan origination product that will help us achieve our goal of delivering true end-to-end solutions covering all channels from branch sales to the Internet. With the purchase of Advanced Information Resources, we complemented our strong consumer lending offering with market-leading commercial lending software. And, with other acquisitions such as ACE Software Sciences, we confirmed our position as the United States' No. 1 provider of mortgage software solutions.

In a consolidating global financial marketplace, ALLTEL's strengths in systems conversion and integration are becoming more highly valued. We are playing an important support role in the merger of NationsBank and Bank of America — one of the largest in the industry's history. Overseas, we completed our largest international project to date, integrating and updating the retail and core account systems for Australia's Colonial State Bank.

LEVERAGING OUR EXPERTISE 1999 also saw ALLTEL continue its expansion into other areas of the Financial Services industry. With our acquisition of Southern Data Systems, we offer a fully integrated front- and back-office solution to the nation's 10,000 community banks. As we completed the first phase of the global project to build a common receivables system managing lease and loan assets with Ford Credit, we firmly established our credentials in the credit finance market outside the traditional banking arena.

Burlington Resources Case Study

taking the pressure

When your workplace is five counties wide and your job is to monitor thousands of high-pressure well heads and compressor sites, what you need above all else are reliable lines of communication and a support team that is always available.

According to Jason Offerman, information systems and technology analyst for Burlington Resources in Farmington, N. M., ALLTEL scores high on both counts. For 800 of the most remote sites across America's second largest on-shore natural gas reserve, ALLTEL provides wireless data technology that automatically relays supply pressures, fluid levels and other vital information to local field crews and the corporate office in Houston. The same technology allows Jason and his team to view any monitored site in real time from a remote laptop computer and send status reports from the middle of the desert to any computer on the Burlington network in just a few seconds.

With voice contact for field personnel also provided by ALLTEL wireless services, Burlington has a lot riding on one company's ability to deliver — but for Jason, it means just one less thing to worry about. "What sells it for me is the support ALLTEL provides," he says. "In addition to quality service, they have qualified people who know the business, they help keep us abreast of developing technologies, and they're always just a phone call away."

Clarion University Case Study

a meeting of minds

The logic was impeccable: in return for building Clarion University of Pennsylvania a new voice and data network, ALLTEL would earn the right to provide local and long-distance communications for the campus and associated sites. But it took creative thinking to turn theory into practice.

A flash of inspiration solved problem number one: ALLTEL was not the Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier. Although the Company provided wireless service in the area, its closest wireline property was in nearby Strattanville, Pa., one of many rural communities served by ALLTEL's 15,000 mile fiber optic network. The solution was to extend that network by another four miles, become a CLEC for the University and position ALLTEL to serve the entire town of Clarion.

After the inspiration, the perspiration: high-speed Ethernet connections for a thousand residence rooms, complete with third-party LAN Internet and a rooftop satellite installation for cable television services, all delivered in less than three months and all supported by an on-campus Technology Services Center and 24-hour help desk. For the University it has meant an explosion in Internet use, including Web-based course components. "Now I get to do my research at midnight," reports student Jill Rhinehart. "It's definitely nice to have!" For ALLTEL, it has meant not only a 10-year contract with a major new client but also a potential long-term revenue stream through bundled service delivery to the local community.

going mobile

If the residents of Mobile,Ala., want to know what is going on in town,the y reach for Anthony King's arts and entertainment magazine, *The Urban Connection*. If Anthony King wants to know what is going on,he reaches for his ALLTEL mobile phone.

A former Ar my officer and chemical engineer, Anthony understands the importance of good lines of communication — and the more he juggles his many roles of businessman, chamber of commerce ambassador and local community leade r, the more he realizes that signing up for ALLTEL 's bundled service packa ge was one of the best decisions he e ver made."I use my phone more than an yone," he says,"and having all the bills come in as one is wonderful.The less time I spend r eviewing bills,the more time I have to go out and make mone y."

Having been in the communications business himself , Anthony was familiar with ALLTEL and knew the company would come in and do a good job.As a result,he was one of ALLTEL's very first customers in Mobile,signing up for long-distance,wireless,pa ging and Internet after a chance meeting with a salesperson, even before the new of fice was of ficially open for business. "I felt their agg ressive approach would help with my bottom line, " he says. "And, ALLTEL people are wonderful with customer service. "

Smithgall Woods Case Study

call of the wild

"Technology should be invisible until it's needed," says John Erbele, general manager of Smithgall Woods Conservation Center, "and so should the company who provides it." And he should know, since he makes his living helping people escape the machines and machinations of the modern world.

High in the north Georgia mountains, 5,555 acres of virgin forest and unspoiled trout streams at Smithgall Woods provide the perfect antidote to the day-to-day pressures of the office. Thanks to ALLTEL's careful cable routing in hand-excavated trenches, you would never guess that every timber-built luxury cabin boasts a pair of data lines and a phone in every room. Or that digital Centrex service is available to anyone who needs to keep in touch. "ALLTEL demonstrated a sensitivity for the wilderness," says John. "That's something you don't expect from a high-tech company."

Because Smithgall Woods is owned by the State of Georgia, the ALLTEL relationship is a mix of a statewide contract for communications services and equipment and direct contact with the local team. To ensure that both the customer and ALLTEL get the best from every deal, account representatives and field technicians work closely together — and to John, it feels like one organization. "Even when ALLTEL was acquiring our previous supplier," he says, "I always knew who to call. It's nice to have people like that to deal with."

Harris Bank Case Study

one call is all

From branch transactions to Internet access, there are a dozen different ways of doing business with a bank — and mostly, customers like it that way. But multiple points of contact can make it difficult to build a real relationship between the individual and the institution.

Not at Harris Bank. With ALLTEL's help, this Chicago-based bank — the 38th largest in America — has done more than most to integrate its key contact points, or "channels," into a single, seamless operation. Customers can meet with a branch salesperson, talk with a call center agent or dial up an Internet connection, and the results of each transaction will be stored in a shared customer contact record. "That means consumers can get what they want in subsequent calls with no unnecessary questions, repetition or lengthy referrals to other parts of the business," explains Chuck Tonge, Harris executive vice president-community banking. "And it means that when the bank comes to sell new products or services, we can review our entire relationship with each customer and cost-effectively personalize our offer according to his or her individual financial needs."

Harris Bank Executive Vice President Randall Teteak agrees, "Integrated delivery allows our bank to have a single view of the customer — and while many institutions talk about a single view, with ALLTEL we have it."

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Completion of Mergers

On September 30, 1999, ALLTEL completed mergers with Liberty Cellular, Inc. ("Liberty"), which operates under the name Kansas Cellular, and its affiliate KINI L.C. under definitive merger agreements entered into on June 22, 1999. Under terms of the merger agreements, the outstanding stock of Liberty and the outstanding ownership units of KINI L.C. were exchanged for approximately 7.0 million shares of ALLTEL's common stock. On July 2, 1999, the Company completed its merger with Aliant Communications Inc. ("Aliant") under a definitive merger agreement entered into on December 18, 1998. Under terms of the merger agreement, Aliant became a wholly-owned subsidiary of ALLTEL, and each outstanding share of Aliant common stock was converted into the right to receive .67 shares of ALLTEL common stock, 23.9 million common shares in the aggregate. Each of these mergers qualified as a tax-free reorganization and has been accounted for as a pooling-of-interests. Accordingly, all prior-period financial information included in this Annual Report has been restated to include the accounts and results of operations of Aliant, Liberty and KINI L.C. The consolidated financial statements presented include certain eliminations and reclassifications to conform the accounting and financial reporting policies of ALLTEL, Aliant, Liberty and KINI L.C.

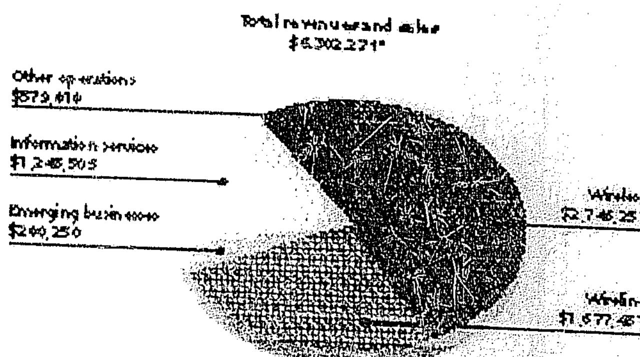
In January 1999, the Company completed a merger with Standard Group, Inc. ("Standard"), a communications company serving customers in Georgia. To expand its information services business, the Company also completed mergers with Advanced Information Resources, Limited ("AIR") and Southern Data Systems ("Southern Data") in September 1999. In connection with these mergers, approximately 6.5 million shares of ALLTEL common stock were issued. All three mergers qualified as tax-free reorganizations and were accounted for as poolings-of-interests. Prior-period financial information has not been restated since the operations of the three acquired companies are not significant to ALLTEL's consolidated financial statements on either a separate or aggregate basis. The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts and results of operations of Standard, AIR and Southern Data from the date of acquisition. (See Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements for additional information regarding the merger transactions.)

Consolidated Results of Operations

Revenues and sales increased $675.5 million or 12 percent in 1999, $[illegible] million or 15 percent in 1998 and $343.6 million or 8 percent in 1997. Operating income increased $499.2 million or 49 percent in 1999, decreased $103.3 million or 9 percent in 1998 and increased $[illegible] million or 24 percent in 1997. Growth in revenues and sales in 1998 and 1997 was affected by the May 1997 sale of the Company's wire and cable subsidiary, HWC Distribution Corp. ("HWC"), and the January 1997 sale of information services' healthcare operations. In addition to these dispositions, operating income growth for all three years was also affected by merger and integration expenses and other charges. Adjusted to exclude the results from operations for the asset dispositions and to exclude the impact of the merger and integration expenses and other charges, revenues and sales would have increased $762.7 million or 16 percent in 1998 and $572.4 million or 13 percent in 1997, and operating income would have increased $282.7 million or 21 percent in 1999, $188.3 million or 16 percent in 1998, and $125.7 million or 12 percent in 1997.

Net income increased $180.5 million or 30 percent in 1999, decreased $49.4 million or 8 percent in 1998 and increased $245.8 million or 60 percent in 1997. Basic and diluted earnings per share both increased 27 percent in 1999, decreased 7 percent in 1998 and increased 61 percent in 1997. Reported net income and earnings per share include the effects of the asset dispositions, merger and integration expenses and other charges, as well as several non-recurring and unusual items further discussed below. Excluding the impact in each year of the asset dispositions and the non-recurring and unusual items, net income would have increased $162.4 million or 25 percent in 1999, $118.2 million or 22 percent in 1998 and $67.4 million or 14 percent in 1997, and basic and diluted earnings per share would have increased 22 percent and 21 percent, respectively in 1999, increased 23 percent and 22 percent, respectively in 1998, and both would have increased 14 percent in 1997.

ALLTEL Performance from Operations



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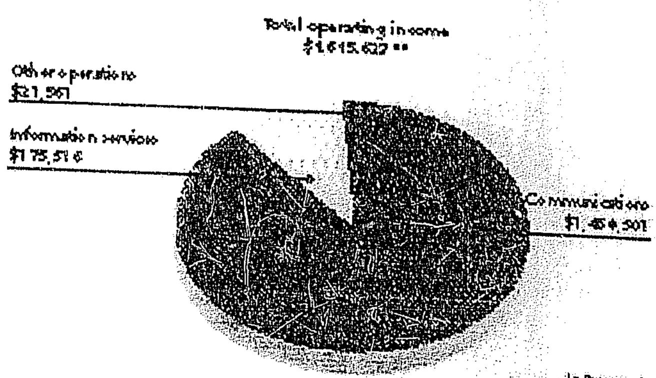

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**Includes corporate expenses and merger and integration expenses and other charges

1999 marked a year in which ALLTEL Corporation ("ALLTEL" or the "Company") achieved solid financial results while continuing to enter new telecommunications markets. Through strategic acquisitions, ALLTEL expanded its market presence and currently offers wireless and wireline local, long-distance, network access and Internet services to customers in 25 states. Operating results reflect strong market demand for the Company's communications services as highlighted by the strong performance of ALLTEL's wireless and wireline businesses.

Completion of Mergers

On September 30, 1999, ALLTEL completed mergers with Liberty Cellular, Inc. ("Liberty"), which operates under the name Kansas Cellular, and its affiliate KINI L.C. under definitive merger agreements entered into on June 22, 1999. Under terms of the merger agreements, the outstanding stock of Liberty and the outstanding ownership units of KINI L.C. were exchanged for approximately 7.0 million shares of ALLTEL's common stock. On July 2, 1999, the Company completed its merger with Aliant Communications Inc. ("Aliant") under a definitive merger agreement entered into on December 18, 1998. Under terms of the merger agreement, Aliant became a wholly-owned subsidiary of ALLTEL, and each outstanding share of Aliant common stock was converted into the right to receive .67 shares of ALLTEL common stock, 23.9 million common shares in the aggregate. Each of these mergers qualified as a tax-free reorganization and has been accounted for as a pooling-of-interests. Accordingly, all prior-period financial information included in this Annual Report has been restated to include the accounts and results of operations of Aliant, Liberty and KINI L.C. The consolidated financial statements presented include certain eliminations and reclassifications to conform the accounting and financial reporting policies of ALLTEL, Aliant, Liberty and KINI L.C.

In January 1999, the Company completed a merger with Standard Group, Inc. ("Standard"), a communications company serving customers in Georgia. To expand its information services business, the Company also completed mergers with Advanced Information Resources, Limited ("AIR") and Southern Data Systems ("Southern Data") in September 1999. In connection with these mergers, approximately 6.5 million shares of ALLTEL common stock were issued. All three mergers qualified as tax-free reorganizations and were accounted for as poolings-of-interests. Prior-period financial information has not been restated since the operations of the three acquired companies are not significant to ALLTEL's consolidated financial statements on either a separate or aggregate basis. The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts and results of operations of Standard, AIR and Southern Data from the date of acquisition. (See Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements for additional information regarding the merger transactions.)

Consolidated Results of Operations

Revenues and sales increased $675.5 million or 12 percent in 1999, $719.6 million or 15 percent in 1998 and $343.6 million or 8 percent in 1997. Operating income increased $499.2 million or 49 percent in 1999, decreased $103.3 million or 9 percent in 1998 and increased $220.2 million or 24 percent in 1997. Growth in revenues and sales in 1998 and 1997 was affected by the May 1997 sale of the Company's wire and cable subsidiary, HWC Distribution Corp. ("HWC"), and the January 1997 sale of information services' healthcare operations. In addition to these dispositions, operating income growth for all three years was also affected by merger and integration expenses and other charges. Adjusted to exclude the results from operations for the asset dispositions and to exclude the impact of the merger and integration expenses and other charges, revenues and sales would have increased $[illegible].2 million or 16 percent in 1998 and $572.4 million or 13 percent in 1997, and operating income would have increased $282.7 million or 21 percent in 1999, $188.3 million or 16 percent in 1998, and $125.7 million or 12 percent in 1997.

Net income increased $180.5 million or 30 percent in 1999, decreased $49.4 million or 8 percent in 1998 and increased $245.8 million or 60 percent in 1997. Basic and diluted earnings per share both increased 27 percent in 1999, decreased 7 percent in 1998 and increased 61 percent in 1997. Reported net income and earnings per share include the effects of the asset dispositions, merger and integration expenses and other charges, as well as several non-recurring and unusual items further discussed below. Excluding the impact in each year of the asset dispositions and the non-recurring and unusual items, net income would have increased $162.4 million or 25 percent in 1999, $118.2 million or 22 percent in 1998 and $67.4 million or 14 percent in 1997, and basic and diluted earnings per share would have increased 22 percent and 21 percent, respectively in 1999, increased 23 percent and 22 percent, respectively in 1998, and both would have increased 14 percent in 1997.

ALLTEL Performance from Operations

Operating income, net income and earnings per share adjusted for the asset dispositions and the non-extraordinary, non-recurring and unusual items are summarized in the following tables:

[illegible]	1999	1998	1997
Operating income, as reported	$1,525,107	$1,025,927	$1,129,191
Operating income of wire and cable operations	—	—	(1,416)
Non-recurring and unusual items:			
Merger and integration expenses and other charges	90,520	252,000	—
Provision to reduce carrying value of certain assets	—	55,000	16,874
Operating income, as adjusted	$1,615,627	$1,332,927	$1,144,649
Net income, as reported	$ 783,634	$ 603,127	$ 652,481
Net income of wire and cable operations	—	—	(838)
Non-recurring and unusual items, net of tax:			
Merger and integration expenses and other charges	66,044	200,995	—
Provision to reduce carrying value of certain assets	—	33,605	11,744
Gain on disposal of assets	(27,185)	(179,770)	(121,485)
Termination fees on early retirement of long-term debt	—	2,097	—
Net income, as adjusted	$ 822,493	$ 660,054	$ 541,902

	Basic			Diluted		
	1999	1998	1997	1999	1998	1997
Earnings per share, as reported	$2.50	$1.97	$2.12	$2.47	$1.95	$2.10
Non-recurring and unusual items, net of tax:						
Merger and integration expenses and other charges	.21	66	—	.20	.65	—
Provision to reduce carrying value of certain assets	—	11	.04	—	.11	.04
Gain on disposal of assets	(.08)	(.59)	(.40)	(.08)	(.58)	(.39)
Termination fees on early retirement of long-term debt	—	01	—	—	.01	—
Earnings per share, as adjusted	$2.63	$2.16	$1.76	$2.59	$2.14	$1.75

The operating income, net income and earnings per share impact of the asset dispositions and the non-recurring and unusual items have been presented as supplemental information only. The non-recurring and unusual items reflected in the above tables are discussed below in reference to the caption in the consolidated statements of income in which they are reported.

Merger and Integration Expenses and Other Charges

During the third quarter of 1999, the Company recorded a pretax charge of $90.5 million in connection with its mergers with Aliant, Liberty, AIH and Southern Data and with certain loss contingencies and other restructuring activities. The merger and integration expenses total $73.4 million and consist of professional and financial advisors' fees of $24.4 million, severance and employee-related expenses of $15.4 million and other integration costs of $33.6 million. The other integration costs include $12.5 million of lease termination costs, $10.2 million of costs associated with the early termination of certain service obligations and a $4.6 million write-down in the carrying value of certain in-process and other software development assets that have no future alternative use or functionality. The other integration costs also include branding and signage costs of $4.1 million and other expenses of $2.2 million incurred in the third quarter. The lease termination costs consist of a cancellation fee of $7.3 million to terminate the Company's contractual commitment to lease building space previously occupied by the former 360° Communications Company ("360°") operations acquired in 1998, a $4.1 million write-off of capitalized leasehold improvements and $1.1 million in other disposal costs. The contract termination fees include $5.2 million related to long-term contracts with an outside vendor for customer billing services to be provided to the Aliant and Liberty operations. As part of its integration plan, ALLTEL will convert both the Aliant and Liberty operations to its own internal billing system. Conversion of the Liberty operations was completed in November 1999, and conversion of the Aliant operations will be completed by June 2000. The Company also recorded an additional $5.0 million charge to reflect the actual cost of terminating its contract with Convergys Corporation ("Convergys") for customer billing services to be provided to the former 360° operations. In September 1999, ALLTEL and Convergys agreed to a final contract termination fee of $55.0 million, of which $50.0 million was recorded in 1998, as discussed below. Through December 31, 1999, the Company had paid $30.0 million of the termination fee with the remaining payments due in installments through 2001. In addition to the termination fee, the Company will continue to pay Convergys for processing customer accounts until all customers are switched to ALLTEL's billing system, which is expected to be completed in 2001. Payments for the continuing processing services will be expensed as incurred.

In connection with management's plan to reduce costs and improve operating efficiencies, the Company recorded a restructuring charge of $17.1 million consisting of $10.8 million in severance and employee benefit costs related to a planned workforce reduction and $6.3 million in lease termination costs related to the consolidation of certain operating locations. The lease termination costs represent the minimum estimated contractual commitments over the next one to four years for leased facilities that the Company has abandoned.

In 1998, the Company recorded transaction costs and one-time charges totaling $252.0 million on a pretax basis related to the closing of its merger with 360°. The merger and integration expenses included professional and financial advisors' fees of $31.5 million, severance and employee-related expenses of $48.7 million and integration costs of $171.8 million. The integration costs included several adjustments resulting from the redirection of a number of strategic initiatives based on the merger with 360° and ALLTEL's expanded wireless presence. These adjustments included a $60.0 million write-down in the carrying value of certain in-process software development assets, $50.0 million of costs associated with the early termination of certain service obligations, branding and signage costs of $20.7 million, an $18.0 million write-down in the carrying value of certain assets resulting from a revised Personal Communications Services ("PCS") deployment plan and other integration costs of $23.1 million. The estimated cost of contract termination was related to a long-term contract with Convergys for billing services to be provided to the 360° operations. The $50.0 million of costs recorded represented the present value of the estimated profit to the vendor over the remaining term of the contract and was the Company's best estimate of the cost of terminating the contract prior to the expiration of its term. As previously noted, the Company and Convergys agreed upon a termination fee of $55.0 million. The $18.0 million write-down in the carrying value of certain PCS-related assets included approximately $15.0 million related to cell site acquisition and improvement costs, capitalized labor and engineering charges that were incurred during the initial construction phase of the PCS buildout in three markets. As a result of the merger with 360°, ALLTEL elected not to continue to complete construction of its PCS network in these three markets. The remaining $3.0 million of the PCS-related write-down represented cell site lease termination fees.

At December 31, 1999, the remaining unpaid liability related to the Company's merger and integration and restructuring activities was $66.5 million consisting of contract termination fees of $29.9 million, severance and employee-related expenses of $26.7 million, lease cancellation and termination costs of $5.8 million, and other integration costs of $4.1 million. Of the remaining contract termination fees, $24.9 million will be paid in 2000 and $5.0 million in 2001. Cash outlays for the remaining employee-related expenses, contract and lease termination fees and the other integration costs are expected to be completed by September 2000. Funding for the unpaid merger and integration and restructuring liability will be internally financed from operating cash flows. As a result of its integration and restructuring efforts, ALLTEL expects to realize savings through a reduction in operating expenses of approximately $128 million in 2000. Of the total savings expected to be realized, ALLTEL estimates 40 percent of the cost savings will result from a reduction in duplicative salaries and employee benefits, 20 percent from a reduction in variable network expenses, 20 percent from volume purchase discounts, 10 percent from a reduction in branding and advertising costs and 10 percent from a reduction in information technology expenses. (See Note 9 to the consolidated financial statements for additional information regarding the merger and integration expenses and other charges.)

Provision to Reduce Carrying Value of Certain Assets

During the third quarter of 1998, the Company recorded a $55.0 million non-recurring operating expense related to its contract with GTE Corporation ("GTE"). This expense represents a reduction in the cumulative gross margin earned under the GTE contract. Due to its pending merger with Bell Atlantic Corporation ("Bell Atlantic"), GTE reevaluated its billing and customer care requirements, modified its billing conversion plans and is purchasing certain processing services from ALLTEL for an interim period. During 1997, ALLTEL recorded a pretax write-down of $16.9 million to reflect the fair value less cost to sell of its wire and cable subsidiary, HWC. (See Note 10 to the consolidated financial statements for additional information regarding these charges.)

Gain on Disposal of Assets and Other

During the fourth quarter of 1999, ALLTEL recorded a pretax gain of $[illegible] million from the sale of a portion of its investment in MCI WorldCom, Inc. ("MCI WorldCom") common stock. During 1998, the Company recorded pretax gains of $265.7 million from the sale of a portion of its investment in MCI WorldCom common stock. The Company also recorded a pretax gain of $30.5 million resulting from the sale of its ownership interest in an unconsolidated partnership. In addition, the Company incurred termination fees of $3.5 million related to the early retirement of long-term debt.

During 1997, ALLTEL recorded a pretax gain of $156.0 million from the sale of a portion of its investment in MCI WorldCom common stock. In addition, the Company recorded a pretax gain of $34.4 million primarily related to the sale of its investment in a software company, a pretax gain of $16.2 million from the sale of information services' healthcare operations, and a pretax gain of $3.0 million from the sale of its ownership interests in two unconsolidated partnerships. (See Note 11 to the consolidated financial statements for additional information regarding these non-recurring and unusual items.)

Results of Operations by Business Segment
Communications – Wireless Operations

(Dollars in millions)	*1999*	1998	1997
Revenues and sales	**$2,743.3**	$2,339.8	$1,986.8
Operating income	**$ 886.5**	$ 674.6	$ 506.9
Total customers	**5,018,614**	4,452,049	3,824,094
Market penetration rate	**12.8%**	11.4%	10.2%
Churn	**2.2%**	2.1%	2.0%

Wireless revenues and sales increased $403.5 million or 17 percent in 1999, $353.0 million or 18 percent in 1998 and $319.9 million or 19 percent in 1997. Operating income increased $211.9 million or 31 percent in 1999, $167.7 million or 33 percent in 1998 and $96.9 million or 24 percent in 1997. Customer growth continued, as the number of customers increased 13 percent over 1998, compared to annual growth rates in customers of 16 percent in 1998 and 19 percent in 1997. During 1999, ALLTEL purchased wireless properties in Alabama and Colorado and acquired a majority ownership interest in a wireless property in Illinois. In addition, the Company also increased its ownership interest in the Richmond, Va., market to 100 percent through the exchange of its minority interest investment in the Orlando, Fla., market. These transactions accounted for approximately 140,000 of the overall increase in wireless customers that occurred during 1999. Including the effects of the acquisitions, ALLTEL placed 1,893,000 gross units in service in 1999, compared to 1,695,000 units in 1998 and 1,450,000 units in 1997. While the rate of customer growth has declined, the overall market penetration rate (number of customers as a percentage of the total population in ALLTEL's service areas) has increased.

Wireless revenues and sales increased in all periods primarily due to the growth in ALLTEL's customer base. Increases in local airtime, roaming and long-distance revenues, reflecting higher volumes of network usage and the acquisition of new wireless properties and increased ownership interests in existing wireless properties, also contributed to the growth in revenues and sales in all periods. The acquisitions of wireless properties in Alabama and Colorado and the additional ownership interests acquired in Richmond, Va., and Illinois accounted for approximately $80.2 million of the increase in revenues and sales in 1999. As a result of the increased usage in the Company's network facilities, average monthly revenue per customer increased slightly in 1999 and 1998 to $48 and $47, respectively. Average monthly revenue per customer was $46 for 1997, a decline of 8 percent from 1996. The decline in average monthly revenue per customer in 1997 was primarily due to the migration of existing customers to lower rate plans, increased penetration into lower-usage market segments and a reduction in roaming revenue rates. During 1997, as a result of competition in its service areas, ALLTEL increased its offering of monthly service plans, which had lower base access rates and included more packaged airtime minutes. The Company expects average monthly revenue per customer will continue to be affected by the industry-wide trends of decreased roaming revenue rates and continued penetration into lower-usage market segments. In addition, the growth rate of new customers is expected to decline as the Company's wireless customer base grows. Accordingly, future revenue growth will be dependent upon ALLTEL's success in maintaining customer growth in existing markets, increasing customer usage of the Company's network and providing customers with enhanced products and services.

Operating income increased in all periods primarily due to the growth in revenues and sales. A reduction in customer service-related expenses and reduced losses realized on the sale of wireless equipment also contributed to the growth in operating income for 1999. The reduction in customer service-related expenses reflects cost savings realized from the merger with 360° and the elimination of certain duplicative salaries and other employee benefit costs. Partially offsetting the increase in operating income for 1999 attributable to revenue growth, lower customer service expenses and improved margins from equipment sales were increases in selling and marketing costs, including advertising and sales commissions, reflecting expanded competition in ALLTEL's service areas from other wireless service providers. Increased data processing charges and other network-related expenses consistent with the growth in customers and network traffic also affected operating income growth in 1999. In addition to revenue growth, operating income for 1998 and 1997 also reflects improved margins realized on the sale of wireless equipment, reductions in branding and other advertising costs and declines in losses sustained from fraud. The reduction in branding and other advertising costs in 1998 reflects savings realized as a result of the merger with 360°, as ALLTEL ceased promotion of the 360° brand name. Branding and other advertising costs declined in 1997 due to a decrease in promotional activities. Growth in operating income in 1998 and 1997 was also affected by increases in sales commissions, customer service-related expenses and general and administrative expenses consistent with the overall growth in revenues and sales. Losses sustained from fraud decreased in all periods primarily due to the Company's continuing efforts to control unauthorized usage of its customers' wireless telephone numbers that results in unbillable fraudulent roaming activity. Depreciation and amortization expense also increased in all periods primarily due to growth in wireless plant in service.

The cost to acquire a new wireless customer represents sales, marketing and advertising costs and the net equipment cost for each new customer added. The cost to acquire a new wireless customer was [illegible], $290 and $281 for 1999, 1998 and 1997, respectively. The increase in 1999 reflects increased advertising, commissions and other selling and marketing costs noted above. Increased equipment costs consistent with the migration of customers to higher-priced digital phones also contributed to the increase in 1999. The increase in cost to acquire a new customer for 1998 reflects increased commissions paid to national dealers, resulting from increased sales from external distribution channels, partially offset by reductions in branding and other advertising costs, as noted above. The cost to acquire a new customer decreased in 1997 primarily due to reduced branding and advertising costs, as well as the effect of distributing costs over a larger number of customers acquired when compared to the corresponding prior-year period. Although the Company intends to continue to utilize its large dealer network, ALLTEL has expanded its internal sales distribution channels to include its own retail stores and kiosks located in shopping malls and other retail outlets. Incremental sales costs at a Company retail store or kiosk are significantly lower than commissions paid to national dealers. Accordingly, ALLTEL intends to manage the costs of acquiring new customers by continuing to expand and enhance its internal distribution channels.

Communications – Wireline Operations

(Dollars in millions)	1999	1998	1997
Local service	$ 770.2	$ 681.0	$ 624.5
Network access and long-distance	779.0	698.6	678.3
Miscellaneous	128.3	119.6	113.5
Total revenues and sales	$1,677.5	$1,499.2	$1,416.3
Operating income	$ 619.1	$ 530.6	$ 506.2
Access lines in service	2,433,092	2,181,859	2,062,877

Wireline revenues and sales increased $178.3 million or 12 percent in 1999, $82.9 million or 6 percent in 1998 and $74.7 million or 6 percent in 1997. Operating income increased $88.5 million or 17 percent in 1999, $24.4 million or 5 percent in 1998 and $44.6 million or 10 percent in 1997. As previously noted, ALLTEL acquired Standard in January 1999. The acquisition of Standard accounted for $98.8 million and $42.0 million, respectively, of the overall increases in ALLTEL's wireline revenues and sales and operating income in 1999. Customer access lines, excluding access lines acquired from Standard, increased 6 percent in 1999, reflecting increased sales of residential and second access lines. Customer access lines also grew 6 percent in 1998 and 1997.

Local service revenues increased $89.2 million or 13 percent in 1999, $56.5 million or 9 percent in 1998 and $62.5 million or 11 percent in 1997. The increases in local service revenues in all periods reflect growth in both customer access lines and custom calling and other enhanced services revenues. The acquisition of Standard accounted for $33.4 million of the increase in local service revenues in 1999. Local service revenues for 1997 reflect the expansion of local calling areas in North Carolina and Georgia, which reclassified certain revenues from network access and long-distance revenues to local service revenues. Future access line growth is expected to result from population growth in the Company's service areas, from sales of second access lines and through strategic acquisitions.

Network access and long-distance revenues increased $80.4 million or 12 percent in 1999, $20.3 million or 3 percent in 1998 and $4.9 million or 1 percent in 1997. The acquisition of Standard accounted for $58.1 million of the overall increase in network access and long-distance revenues in 1999. Network access and long-distance revenues also increased in 1999 and 1998 as a result of higher volumes of network usage and growth in customer access lines, partially offset by a reduction in intrastate toll revenues. The increase in 1997 primarily reflects higher volumes of access usage, partially offset by the reclassification of certain revenues to local service revenues, as previously discussed, and a reduction in intrastate toll rates in Nebraska.

Total wireline operating expenses increased $89.8 million or 9 percent in 1999, $58.5 million or 6 percent in 1998 and $30.1 million or 3 percent in 1997. The acquisition of Standard accounted for $56.8 million of the overall increase in wireline operating expenses in 1999. Operating expenses for all periods also reflect increases in network-related expenses, depreciation and amortization, data processing charges and other general and administrative expenses. Network-related expenses, data processing charges and other general and administrative expenses increased primarily due to the growth in wireline customers, while depreciation and amortization expense increased primarily due to growth in wireline plant in service. Operating expenses for 1997 also include additional costs incurred by ALLTEL in consolidating its customer service operations.

Regulatory Matters – Wireline Operations

ALLTEL's wireline subsidiaries, except for the former Aliant operations, follow the accounting for regulated enterprises prescribed by Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 71, "Accounting for the Effects of Certain Types of Regulation." If ALLTEL's wireline subsidiaries no longer qualified for the provisions of SFAS 71, the accounting impact to the Company would be an extraordinary non-cash charge to operations of an amount that could be material. Criteria that would give rise to the discontinuance of SFAS 71 include (1) increasing competition that restricts the wireline subsidiaries' ability to establish prices to recover specific costs and (2) significant change in the manner in which rates are set by regulators from cost-based regulation to another form of regulation. The Company periodically reviews these criteria to ensure the continuing application of SFAS 71 [illegible]. As a result of the passage of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the "96 Act") and state telecommunications reform legislation, ALLTEL's wireline subsidiaries could begin to experience significant competition in their local service areas. To date, competition has not had a significant adverse effect on the operations of ALLTEL's wireline subsidiaries.

In 1996, the FCC issued regulations implementing the local competition provisions of the 96 Act. These regulations established pricing rules for state regulatory commissions to follow with respect to entry by competing carriers into the local, intrastate markets of Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers ("ILECs") and addressed interconnection, unbundled network elements and resale rates. The FCC's authority to adopt such pricing rules, including permitting new entrants to "pick and choose" among the terms and conditions of approved interconnection agreements, was considered first by the U.S. Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals (the "Eighth Circuit Court") and then by the U.S. Supreme Court ("Supreme Court"). In January 1999, the Supreme Court ruled that the FCC had the jurisdiction to carry out certain local competition provisions of the 96 Act. As part of its ruling, the Supreme Court reinstated the FCC's "pick and choose" rule. The Supreme Court remanded a portion of the decision to the Eighth Circuit Court for it to rule on certain issues that it had not previously decided, such as whether the FCC's pricing rules were consistent with the 96 Act. Other issues were remanded to the FCC.

In response to the Supreme Court's decision, the FCC issued a decision on November 5, 1999, outlining how it would interpret the "necessary" and "impair" standards set forth in the 96 Act and which specific network elements it would require ILECs to unbundle as a result of its interpretation of those standards. The FCC reaffirmed that ILECs must provide unbundled access to six of the original seven network elements that it required to be unbundled. The six network elements consist of loops, including loops used to provide high-capacity and advanced telecommunications services; network interface devices; local circuit switching; dedicated and shared transport; signaling and call-related databases; and operations support systems. Access to ILEC operator and directory assistance services was the one network element that the FCC omitted. The FCC also imposed on ILECs the obligation to unbundle other network elements including access to subloops or portions of sub-loops, fiber optic loops and transport. The FCC declined to impose any obligations on ILECs to provide unbundled access to packet switching or to digital subscriber line access multiplexers. The FCC also began a rulemaking regarding the ability of CLECs to use certain unbundled network elements as a substitute for the ILEC's special access services.

On October 21, 1999, the FCC adopted two orders involving universal service. In the first order, the FCC completed development of the cost model that will be used to estimate non-rural ILECs' forward-looking costs of providing telephone service. In the second order, the FCC adopted a methodology that uses the costs generated by the cost model to calculate the appropriate level of support for non-rural carriers serving rural areas. Under the new funding mechanism, high-cost support will be targeted to the highest cost wire center within the state, and support will be portable. That is, when a non-rural ILEC loses a customer to a competitor, the competitor may receive the universal service high-cost support for service provided to that customer. Under the new funding mechanism, seven states (Alabama, Kentucky, Maine, Mississippi, Vermont, West Virginia and Wyoming) will receive high-cost support of approximately $255 million. The new high-cost support mechanism should ensure that rates are reasonably comparable on average among states, while the states will continue to ensure that rates are reasonably comparable within their borders. The FCC announced that the high-cost support mechanism for rural carriers is not scheduled to be revised until January 1, 2001, at the earliest.

The FCC also clarified its interpretation of the definition of a "rural telephone company" under the 96 Act to refer to the legal entity that provides local exchange services. By May 1, 2000, states are required to establish different rates for pricing interconnection and unbundled network elements in at least three defined geographic areas within the state to reflect geographic cost differences. Based upon ALLTEL's review of the FCC's current regulations concerning the universal service subsidy, it is unlikely that material changes in the universal service funding for ALLTEL's rural rate-of-return wireline subsidiaries will occur prior to 2001. In 2001, the universal service subsidy may change from being based on actual costs to being based on a proxy model for ALLTEL's rural rate-of-return wireline subsidiaries.

Periodically, the Company's wireline subsidiaries receive requests from wireless communications providers for renegotiation of existing transport and termination agreements. In these cases, the Company's wireline subsidiaries renegotiate the appropriate terms and conditions in compliance with the 96 Act. The Company's wireline subsidiaries have executed contracts for transport and termination services with Competitive Local Exchange Carriers ("CLECs").

During 1999, some of ALLTEL's wireline operations were subject to certain regulatory commission orders designed to reduce earnings levels. These orders did not materially affect the results of operations of the Company's wireline subsidiaries. Certain states in which the Company's wireline subsidiaries operate have adopted alternatives to rate-of-return regulation, either through legislative or regulatory commission actions. The Company has elected alternative regulation for certain of its wireline subsidiaries in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, North Carolina and Texas. The Company also has an alternative regulation application pending in Pennsylvania. The Company continues to evaluate alternative regulation for its other wireline subsidiaries.

The FCC instituted a rulemaking in June 1998 in which it proposed to amend the access charge rules for rate-of-return Local Exchange Carriers ("LECs") in a manner similar to that adopted earlier for price cap LECs. The FCC's proposal involves the modification of the transport rate structure, the reallocation of costs in the transport interconnection charge and amendments to reflect changes necessary to implement universal service. The issue of additional pricing flexibility for rate-of-return LECs is expected to be addressed in a subsequent phase of the proceeding. Once the access charge rules for rate-of-return LECs are finalized, ALLTEL will assess the impact, if any, the new rules will have on its wireline operations.

The Company's wireline subsidiaries have elected to remain under rate base rate-of-return regulation with respect to interstate services. For companies remaining under rate-of-return regulation, the FCC authorizes a rate-of-return that telephone companies may earn on interstate services they provide. In October 1998, the FCC began a proceeding to consider a represcription of the authorized rate-of-return for the interstate access services of approximately 1,300 ILECs, including ALLTEL's wireline subsidiaries. The currently prescribed rate-of-return is 11.25 percent. The purpose of the FCC's proceeding is to determine whether the prescribed rate-of-return corresponds to current market conditions and whether the rate should be changed. A decision by the FCC related to this matter may be issued later this year. However, ALLTEL and other ILECs have asked the FCC to address other important issues relating to universal service, interconnection and access reform before considering any represcription of the authorized rate-of-return. The Company's wireline subsidiaries currently receive compensation from long-distance companies for intrastate, intraLATA services through access charges or toll settlements that are subject to state regulatory commission approval.

Because resolution of the regulatory matters discussed above that are currently under FCC or judicial review is uncertain and regulations to implement other provisions of the 96 Act have yet to be issued, ALLTEL cannot predict at this time the specific effects, if any, that the 96 Act and its implementing regulations will have on its [illegible] operations.

Communications – Emerging Businesses Operations

(Millions)	*1999*	1998	1997
Revenues and sales	$280.3	$167.3	$100.8
Operating loss	$ (47.2)	$ (38.0)	$ (16.4)

Emerging businesses consist of the Company's long-distance, CLEC, Internet access, network management and PCS operations. Long-distance and Internet access services are currently marketed to residential and business customers in the majority of states in which ALLTEL provides communications services. In 1998, ALLTEL began offering CLEC and network management services to business customers in select markets. In 1999, ALLTEL expanded its CLEC product offering to include residential customers in certain markets in Arkansas, Florida, Nebraska, North Carolina, Pennsylvania and Virginia. The Company plans to expand its CLEC operations into additional markets in Alabama, Georgia, Missouri and South Carolina during 2000. PCS has been offered in Jacksonville, Fla., since March 1998 and in the Birmingham and Mobile, Ala., markets since February 1999.

Revenues and sales increased in 1999 due to growth in the long-distance, CLEC and Internet operations, primarily driven by growth in ALLTEL's customer base for these services. Long-distance, CLEC and Internet revenues increased in 1999 by $51.8 million, $18.2 million and $[illegible] million, respectively. Revenues and sales from emerging businesses increased in 1998 and 1997 primarily due to growth in the long-distance operations. The start-up of the CLEC and PCS operations also contributed to the overall growth in revenues and sales from emerging businesses in 1998. The operating losses sustained by emerging businesses in each year reflect the start-up nature of these operations.

Information Services Operations

(Millions)	*1999*	1998	1997
Revenues and sales	$1,245.5	$1,161.8	$974.2
Operating income	$ 175.3	$ 162.7	$144.9

Information services revenues and sales increased $83.7 million or 7 percent in 1999, $187.6 million or 19 percent in 1998 and $14.1 million or 1 percent in 1997. Growth in revenues and sales for 1997 was impacted by the sale of healthcare operations completed in January 1997. Excluding the sold healthcare operations, information services revenues and sales would have increased $123.7 million or [illegible] percent in 1997. Operating income increased $12.7 million or 8 percent in 1999, $[illegible] million or 12 percent in 1998 and $4.6 million or 3 percent in 1997.

Revenues and sales increased in 1999 primarily due to growth in the telecommunication outsourcing operations, reflecting volume growth in existing data processing contracts. Telecommunication revenues and sales increased in 1999 primarily as a result of additional billings to affiliates, reflecting the Company's recent acquisitions. Financial services, including the residential lending and international operations, produced modest revenue growth in 1999, as revenues earned from new and existing contracts were offset by reduced revenues from selected large customers and contract terminations. These reduced revenue streams primarily reflect the merger and consolidation activity in the domestic financial services industry. Revenues and sales increased in 1998 primarily due to growth in the financial services, international and telecommunication outsourcing operations. Excluding the impact of the sold healthcare operations, revenues and sales increased in 1997 primarily due to growth in the financial services and telecommunication businesses. The increases in revenues and sales for 1998 and 1997 reflect volume growth in existing data processing contracts, the addition of new outsourcing agreements and additional software maintenance and service revenues. Revenues and sales growth in both 1998 and 1997 was also affected by lost operations from contract terminations due to the merger and consolidation activity in the domestic financial services industry and reductions in revenues collected for early termination of facilities management contracts.

The increase in operating income in 1999 primarily reflects the growth in revenues and sales noted above, partially offset by lower margins realized by the international financial services business and by the loss of higher margin operations due to contract terminations. Operating income for 1999 also includes an unfavorable cumulative margin adjustment of $4.6 million related to one outsourcing agreement accounted for under the percentage-of-completion method. Operating income increased in 1998 primarily due to the growth in revenues and sales noted above, additional fees collected from the early termination of contracts and improved profit margins realized from the international financial services businesses, partially offset by lower margins realized by the telecommunication operations. Telecommunication operating margins decreased due to higher operating costs, including depreciation and amortization expense. Depreciation and amortization expense increased in 1998 primarily due to the acquisition of additional data processing equipment and an increase in amortization of internally developed software. Operating income for 1997 reflects the growth in revenues and sales noted above, as well as improved profit margins realized from the international financial services business, partially offset by the loss of operations due to the sale of the healthcare business. Growth in operating income for 1997 was adversely affected by start-up and product development costs associated with several new business initiatives designed to expand the Company's service offerings in existing markets. Growth in operating income for 1997 was affected by the loss of higher-margin operations due to contract terminations, reductions in fees collected on the early termination of facilities management contracts and an increase in operating costs corresponding with the growth in revenues and sales.

Other Operations

(Millions)	*1999*	1998	1997
Revenues and sales	$579.8	$601.3	$478.9
Operating income	$ 21.6	$ 25.9	$ 21.9

Other operations consist of the Company's product distribution and directory publishing operations. Revenues and sales decreased $21.5 million or 4 percent in 1999, increased $122.4 million or 26 percent in 1998 and decreased $111.0 million or 19 percent in 1997. Operating income decreased $4.3 million or 17 percent in 1999, increased $4.0 million or 18 percent in 1998 and decreased $12.1 million or 35 percent in 1997. Growth in revenues and sales and operating income for 1998 and 1997 was affected by the sale of the HWC operations completed in May 1997. Excluding the sold HWC operations, revenues and sales would have increased $165.3 million or 38 percent in 1998 and $3.2 million or 1 percent in 1997, and operating income would have increased $5.5 million or 27 percent in 1998 and would have decreased $5.8 million or 22 percent in 1997.

The decrease in revenues and sales in 1999 was attributable to the product distribution operations, as sales of telecommunications and data products decreased $34.0 million from 1998. The decrease in product distribution revenues and sales reflects a decrease of $52.2 million in affiliate sales, partially offset by increased retail sales and sales to non-affiliates. Sales to affiliates declined primarily due to a change in reporting intercompany transactions with the wireless subsidiaries. Beginning in 1999, these intercompany transactions were recorded at cost as inventory transfers. Partially offsetting the reduction in product distribution revenues and sales was growth in directory publishing revenues, which increased $12.5 million from 1998, reflecting an increase in the number of directory contracts published. Revenues and sales increased in 1998 primarily due to growth in sales of telecommunications and data products to both affiliated and non-affiliated customers, including increased retail sales of these products at the Company's counter showrooms. Sales to affiliates increased $[illegible] million in 1998, reflecting additional purchases by the Company's wireless subsidiaries as a result of the merger with 360° and expansion of product lines to include wireless equipment. The increase in revenues and sales in 1998 attributable to the product distribution operations was partially offset by decreases in directory publishing revenues, primarily due to the loss of one large contract. The decrease in revenues and sales for 1997 primarily resulted from the sale of HWC and a decrease in directory publishing revenues due to a reduction in the number of directory contracts published. Sales of telecommunications and data products increased $21.1 million in 1997, primarily reflecting increased sales to affiliated and non-affiliated customers and additional retail sales of these products at the Company's counter showrooms.

The changes in other operations operating income for 1999 and 1998 primarily reflect the changes in revenues and sales noted above. Growth in operating income for both 1999 and 1998 continued to be affected by lower gross profit margins realized by the product distribution operations, resulting from lower margins earned on affiliated sales and increased competition from other distributors and direct sales by manufacturers. Operating income decreased in 1997 primarily due to the decrease in revenues and sales noted above. Lower gross profit margins realized on the sale of telecommunications and data products, reflecting increased competition and a reduction in product cost rebates received from vendors, also impacted operating income growth in 1997. In addition, increased selling expenses incurred by the Company to open several new counter showroom facilities also impacted operating income growth in 1997.

Interest Expense

Interest expense increased $1.8 million or 1 percent in 1999, $3.5 million or 1 percent in 1998 and $24.1 million or 10 percent in 1997. The increase in interest expense in 1999 reflects the issuance of $300 million of debentures in April 1999, while the increase in interest expense in 1998 reflects the issuances of $100 million of unsecured notes in January 1998 and $100 million of unsecured notes in April 1998. The increases in interest expense in 1999 and 1998 attributable to the issuance of additional debt were partially offset by decreases in each year in the average borrowings outstanding and the weighted average borrowing rates applicable to ALLTEL's revolving credit agreement. The increase in interest expense in 1997 reflects the issuance of $[illegible] million of debentures completed in March 1997 and the issuance of $[illegible] million of subordinated promissory notes issued in November 1996 in connection with an acquisition.

Income Taxes

Income tax expense increased $45.5 million or 9 percent in 1999, $[illegible] million or 16 percent in 1998 and $171.7 million or 65 percent in 1997. Income tax expense for all periods includes the tax-related impact of the merger and integration expenses and the other non-recurring and unusual items previously discussed. Excluding the impact on tax expense of these items in each year, income tax expense would have increased $96.7 million or 21 percent in 1999, $108.2 million or 31 percent in 1998 and $40.3 million or 13 percent in 1997, consistent with the overall growth in ALLTEL's earnings from continuing operations before non-recurring and unusual items.

Average Common Shares Outstanding

The average number of common shares outstanding increased 2 percent in 1999, primarily due to the additional shares issued in connection with the Standard, AIR and Southern Data acquisitions. During 1999, 6,515,000 shares were issued in connection with the above acquisitions, common shares issued through stock option plans amounted to 1,694,000 shares, and preferred stock and debentures were converted into 34,000 shares. The average number of common shares outstanding decreased 1 percent in 1998, primarily due to the Company's repurchase of its common stock in 1997. During 1998, common shares issued through stock option plans amounted to 1,741,000 shares, and preferred stock and debentures were converted into 23,000 shares. These increases were partially offset by the Company's repurchase on the open market of 405,000 of its common shares. The average number of common shares outstanding decreased slightly in 1997. During 1997, 872,000 shares were issued in connection with acquisitions, common shares issued through stock option plans amounted to 722,000 shares, and preferred stock and debentures were converted into 67,000 shares. These increases were offset by the Company's repurchase on the open market of 6,851,000 of its common shares.

Financial Condition, Liquidity and Capital Resources

(Millions, except per share amounts)	**1999**	1998	1997
Cash flows from (used in):			
Operating activities	**$ 1,500.0**	$1,405.8	$1,270.8
Investing activities	**(1,061.4)**	(864.6)	(1,005.9)
Financing activities	**(510.1)**	(507.6)	(264.4)
Change in cash and short-term investments	**$ (71.5)**	$ 33.6	$ 0.5
Total capital structure	**$ 8,028.9**	$7,396.7	$6,982.1
Percent equity to total capital	**52.4%**	49.2%	43.9%
Interest coverage ratio	**5.92x**	5.02x	4.25x
Book value per share	**$13.38**	$11.84	$9.99

Cash Flows from Operations

Cash provided from operations continues to be ALLTEL's primary source of funds. The increases in cash provided from operations for 1999 and 1998 primarily reflect growth in operating income of the Company before non-recurring and unusual charges. The increases in cash provided from operations resulting from earnings growth in 1999 and 1998 were partially offset by changes in working capital requirements, including timing differences in the payment of accounts payable and additional income tax payments associated with gains realized from the sale of MCI WorldCom common stock.

Cash Flows from Investing Activities

Capital expenditures continued to be ALLTEL's primary use of capital resources. Capital expenditures were $1,006.5 million in 1999, $998.0 million in 1998 and $899.7 million in 1997. Capital expenditures increased in 1999 and 1998, primarily due to construction of additional network facilities and deployment of digital wireless technology in select markets. Capital expenditures increased in 1997 primarily due to the start-up construction of ALLTEL's PCS network. During each of the past three years, the Company financed the majority of its capital expenditures through internally generated funds. Capital expenditures were incurred to continue to modernize and upgrade ALLTEL's communications network, to construct additional network facilities to provide PCS and digital wireless service and to offer other communications services, including long-distance, Internet and CLEC services. Capital expenditures are forecast at approximately $995 million for 2000 and are expected to be funded primarily from internally generated funds.

Cash outlays for the acquisition of property in 1999 were $99.9 million. This amount is net of cash acquired of approximately $24.1 million received in the Standard acquisition and principally consists of cash outlays of $46.5 million for a wireless property in Colorado, $30.6 million for a wireless property in Illinois and $20.0 million for a wireless property in Alabama. In addition to these acquisitions, the Company paid $112.1 million for the remaining ownership interest in a wireless property in Nebraska in which the Company already owned a controlling interest. Cash outlays in 1998 for the purchase of property were $81.1 million, principally consisting of $34.6 million for the acquisition of two wireless properties in Georgia and $43.6 million for the purchase of additional ownership interests in wireless properties in Nebraska, North Carolina and Texas. Cash flows from investing activities for 1997 include total cash outlays of $113.2 million for various acquisitions, including a wireline property in Georgia, two wireless properties in Alabama and the purchase of additional ownership interests in 16 wireless properties in which the Company owns a controlling interest. Cash flows from investing activities for 1997 also include a total cash outlay of $134.0 million for additional investments in cellular partnerships in which the Company owns a minority interest, including an $80 million investment in a cellular partnership serving the Orlando, Fla., and Richmond, Va., markets. In addition, in 1997, ALLTEL paid $146.5 million for the acquisition of PCS licensing rights for 73 markets in 12 states.

Cash flows from investing activities for 1999, 1998 and 1997 include proceeds from the sale of investments of $45.0 million, $326.1 million and $195.9 million, respectively. These amounts include proceeds of $45.0 million, $288.2 million and $185.9 million, respectively, received from the sale of a portion of ALLTEL's investment in MCI WorldCom common stock. In addition, cash proceeds from the sale of investments in 1998 include $20.2 million from the sale of the Company's ownership interest in a wireless partnership. Cash flows from investing activities for 1997 include proceeds of $202.3 million received from the sale of assets, principally consisting of three non-strategic operations. In September 1997, the Company received cash proceeds of $48.7 million in connection with the sale of an investment in a software company. In May 1997, ALLTEL completed the sale of HWC for approximately $45.0 million in cash; and in January 1997, the Company received cash proceeds of $104.9 million in connection with the sale of its healthcare operations. The proceeds from the sales of investments and other assets were used primarily to reduce borrowings under the Company's revolving credit agreement.

Cash Flows from Financing Activities

Dividend payments remain a significant use of capital resources for ALLTEL. Common and preferred dividend payments amounted to $298.2 million in 1999, $272.1 million in 1998 and $236.0 million in 1997. The increases in each year primarily reflect growth in the annual dividend rates on ALLTEL's common stock. In addition, dividend payments on common shares in 1999 also reflect the additional common shares issued and outstanding as a result of the mergers with Aliant, Liberty and Standard. In October 1999, ALLTEL's Board of Directors approved a 5 percent increase in the quarterly common stock dividend rate from $.305 to $.32 per share. This action raised the annual dividend rate to $1.28 per share and marked the 39th consecutive year in which ALLTEL has increased its common stock dividend. In addition to reflecting an increase in the annual dividend rate, dividend payments on common shares also increased in 1998 as a result of additional shares outstanding due to the merger with 360°. Under a share repurchase program, the Company repurchased 6.9 million of its shares at a total cost of $218.6 million in 1997. Distributions to minority investors were $113.3 million in 1999, $102.8 million in 1998 and $45.1 million in 1997. The increase in distributions in each year reflects the improved operating results of the wireless properties managed by ALLTEL.

Currently, the Company has a $1 billion line of credit under a revolving credit agreement. Borrowings outstanding under this agreement at December 31, 1999, were $341.1 million compared to $578.5 million outstanding at December 31, 1998. The weighted average interest rate on borrowings outstanding under the revolving credit agreement at December 31, 1999, was 6.1 percent. At December 31, 1997, ALLTEL and 360° had separate lines of credit under revolving credit agreements. Total borrowings outstanding under these agreements at December 31, 1997, were $847.9 million. Upon completion of its merger with 360°, ALLTEL refinanced the borrowings outstanding under 360°'s revolving credit agreement (approximately $495 million) through ALLTEL's existing credit facilities, and 360°'s revolving credit agreement was terminated. Additional borrowings under the revolving credit agreements in 1997 were incurred primarily to fund the stock repurchase program and to acquire the PCS licensing rights. As previously noted, proceeds from the sales of MCI WorldCom common stock, the HWC and healthcare operations and the sale of investments in a software company were used primarily to reduce borrowings outstanding under the revolving credit agreements in 1998 and 1997.

Long-term debt issued was $298.2 million in 1999, $244.2 million in 1998 and $295.6 million in 1997, while retirements of long-term debt amounted to $344.5 million in 1999, $414.0 million in 1998 and $73.3 million in 1997. In March 1999, ALLTEL filed a shelf registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") providing for the issuance of up to $500 million in the aggregate initial offering price of unsecured debt securities. In April 1999, ALLTEL issued $300 million of 6.8 percent debentures due May 1, 2029, under this shelf registration statement. The net proceeds of $298.2 million were used to reduce borrowings outstanding under the revolving credit agreement. In January 1998, the Company issued $100 million of 6.65 percent notes and in April 1998, a subsidiary issued $100 million of 6.75 percent notes. These two debt issues represent substantially all the long-term debt issued in 1998. The proceeds from the subsidiary debt issue were used primarily to retire two debt issues totaling $76.0 million. Long-term debt issued in 1997 includes the net increase in revolving credit agreement borrowings from December 31, 1996, and the issuance of $200 million of 7.6 percent notes. The net reduction in revolving credit agreement borrowings from December 31, 1998 and 1997, represent the majority of the long-term debt retired in 1999 and 1998, respectively. Scheduled long-term debt retirements, net of the revolving credit agreement activity, amounted to $107.1 million in 1999, $68.6 million in 1998 and $73.3 million in 1997. ALLTEL's bond ratings with Moody's Investors Service and Standard & Poor's Corporation were A2 and A-, respectively, unchanged from December 31, 1998. In June 1999, Duff & Phelps Credit Rating Company assigned to ALLTEL an initial bond rating of A. (See Note 5 to the consolidated financial statements for additional information regarding the Company's long-term debt.)

The Company believes it has adequate internal and external capital resources available to finance its ongoing operating requirements including capital expenditures, business development and the payment of dividends. ALLTEL has access to the capital markets, including the private placement market, public issuance and the Rural Utilities Service financing programs for wireline companies. The Company and its subsidiaries expect these sources to continue to be available for future borrowings.

Legal Proceedings

As more fully discussed in Note 14 to the consolidated financial statements, the Georgia Public Service Commission ("Georgia PSC") issued an order requiring that ALLTEL's wireline subsidiaries which operate within its jurisdiction reduce their annual network access charges by $24 million, prospectively, effective July 1, 1996. The Company appealed the Georgia PSC order. In November 1996, the Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia, (the "Superior Court") rendered its decision and reversed the Georgia PSC order, finding, among other matters, that the Georgia PSC had exceeded its authority by ordering the rate reductions. The Superior Court did not rule on a number of other assertions made by the Company as grounds for reversal of the Georgia PSC order. The Georgia PSC appealed the Superior Court's decision, and, in July 1997, the Georgia Court of Appeals (the "Appellate Court") reversed the Superior Court's decision. The Company appealed to the Georgia Supreme Court, and in October 1998, the Georgia Supreme Court, in a 4-3 decision, upheld the Appellate Court's ruling that the Georgia PSC had the authority to conduct the rate proceeding. The case was returned to the Superior Court for it to rule on the issues it had not previously decided. On April 6, 1999, the Superior Court found that, with respect to the July 1996 order, the Georgia PSC did not provide ALLTEL with sufficient notice of the charges against the Company, did not provide ALLTEL a fair opportunity to present its case and respond to the charges, and failed to satisfy its burden of proving that ALLTEL's rates were unjust and unreasonable. Further, the Superior Court found that the July 1996 order was an unlawful attempt to retroactively reduce ALLTEL's rates and certain statutory revenue recoveries. For each of these independent reasons, the Superior Court vacated and reversed the July 1996 order and remanded the case with instructions to dismiss the case. The Georgia PSC appealed the Superior Court's April 1999 decision. The Company remains confident that it will ultimately prevail in this case, and as such, has not implemented any revenue reductions or established any reserves for refund related to this matter at this time.

The Company is party to various other legal proceedings arising from the ordinary course of business. Although the ultimate resolution of these various proceedings cannot be determined at this time, management of the Company does not believe that such proceedings, individually or in the aggregate, will have a material adverse effect on the future results of operations or financial condition of the Company. In addition, management is currently not aware of any environmental matters, which in the aggregate would have a material adverse effect on the financial condition or results of operations of the Company.

Year 2000 Compliance

The Company began its Year 2000 efforts several years ago with the primary objective of achieving Year 2000 compliance of the Company's critical internal computer systems and infrastructure, and certain software systems and services that the Company provides to its customers and for which the Company is responsible. The Company established and implemented a company-wide Year 2000 Program Office to coordinate and monitor the Company's Year 2000 readiness activities and a Year 2000 Project Office for each major business division to address and resolve potential and specific Year 2000 issues for those portions of the Company's business.

The Company experienced no significant internal interruption of business as a result of the rollover to the Year 2000. In addition, ALLTEL has not received any written notification from its customers that the Company caused any of its customers to incur a significant interruption of business as a result of the rollover to the Year 2000.

The Company estimated the total cost of its Year 2000 efforts to be approximately $80 million, and as of December 31, 1999, the Company had incurred Year 2000 costs of approximately $80 million. The Company capitalized and subsequently will amortize approximately one-half of the total Year 2000 cost, including costs relating to the remediation of the Company's software products. Some of the Company's Year 2000 costs were not incremental, but rather represented the redeployment of existing resources. As for the estimated costs associated with making the Company's customers' systems Year 2000 compliant in those situations where the Company was obligated to do so, the Company treated those costs as contract costs and did not include them in the Company's Year 2000 costs. The Company believes, based on available information, that any additional Year 2000-related costs will not have a material adverse effect on its results of operations.

Agreement to Exchange Certain Wireless Assets

As further discussed in Note 15 to the consolidated financial statements, on January 31, 2000, ALLTEL, Bell Atlantic, GTE and Vodafone Airtouch signed agreements to exchange wireless properties in 13 states. Upon the closing of the transactions, Bell Atlantic and GTE will transfer to ALLTEL interests in 27 wireless markets in Alabama, Arizona, Florida, Ohio, New Mexico, Texas and South Carolina, representing about 14 million POPs and more than 1.5 million wireless customers. ALLTEL will transfer to Bell Atlantic or GTE interests in 42 wireless markets in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Nevada, New York and Pennsylvania, representing approximately 6.3 million POPs and more than 700,000 customers. ALLTEL will also transfer certain of its minority investments in unconsolidated wireless properties, representing approximately 2.6 million POPs. In addition to the transfer of wireless assets, ALLTEL will also pay approximately $600 million in cash. The Company expects to finance the cash payment through use of its existing revolving credit facilities or issuance of long-term debt. Following the completion of the transactions, ALLTEL will have a total of 46 million cellular POPs and almost 5.8 million wireless customers. The companies expect to complete the transactions by mid-2000.

The companies also signed a new national roaming agreement, which will allow their customers to roam on each other's networks at reduced rates across a footprint that covers almost 95 percent of the U.S. population. Using a common digital technology called CDMA, the companies will form the nation's largest standardized digital wireless network.

Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

In December 1999, the SEC issued Staff Accounting Bulletin ("SAB") 101, "Revenue Recognition in Financial Statements," which provides additional guidance in applying generally accepted accounting principles for revenue recognition in consolidated financial statements. To conform its revenue recognition policies to be consistent with the provisions of SAB 101, the Company will change its method of recognizing wireless access revenues in 2000. Previously, monthly non-refundable wireless access revenues were recognized when billed in accordance with contractual arrangements with customers. Effective January 1, 2000, the Company now recognizes wireless access revenues over the period in which the corresponding services are provided. Because ALLTEL bills its customers on a cycle basis

ALLTEL Corporation's management is responsible for the integrity and objectivity of all financial data included in this Annual Report. The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The financial data includes amounts that are based on the best estimates and judgments of management. All financial information in this Annual Report is consistent with that in the consolidated financial statements.

The Company maintains an accounting system and related internal accounting controls designed to provide reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss or unauthorized use and that the financial records are adequate and can be relied upon to produce financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Arthur Andersen LLP, Independent Public Accountants, have audited these consolidated financial statements and have expressed herein their unqualified opinion.

The Company diligently attempts to select qualified managers, provides appropriate division of responsibility and assures that its policies and standards are understood throughout the organization. The Company's Ethics in the Workplace Program serves as a guide for all employees with respect to business conduct and conflicts of interest.

The Audit Committee of the Board of Directors, composed of directors who are not employees, meets periodically with management, the independent accountants and the internal auditors to review matters relating to the Company's annual financial statements, internal audit program, internal accounting controls and non-audit services provided by the independent accountants. As a matter of policy, the internal auditors and the independent accountants periodically meet alone with the Audit Committee and have access to the Audit Committee at any time.

Scott T. Ford,
President and Chief Operating Officer

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Jeffery R. Gardner,
Senior Vice President – Chief Financial Officer

TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF ALLTEL CORPORATION:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of ALLTEL Corporation (a Delaware corporation) and subsidiaries as of December 31, 1999 and 1998, and the related consolidated statements of income, shareholders' equity and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 1999. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of ALLTEL Corporation and subsidiaries as of December 31, 1999 and 1998, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 1999, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

Arthur Andersen LLP

Little Rock, Arkansas,
February 1, 2000

[illegible] Data

[illegible]	1999	1998	1997	1996	1995	1994
[illegible]						
[illegible]						
[illegible]	$ 5,680,149	$ 5,051,269	$4,382,319	$3,898,430	$3,505,657	$3,044,684
[illegible]	622,122	575,526	524,639	664,914	670,534	682,342
[illegible]	6,302,271	5,626,795	4,906,958	4,563,344	4,176,191	3,727,026
[illegible]						
[illegible]	4,686,644	4,293,868	3,760,893	3,534,052	3,284,277	2,944,967
[illegible]	90,520	252,000	—	—	—	—
[illegible]	—	55,000	16,874	120,280	—	—
[illegible]	4,777,164	4,600,868	3,777,767	3,654,332	3,284,277	2,944,967
[illegible]	1,525,107	1,025,927	1,129,191	909,012	891,914	782,059
[illegible]	42,849	64,657	22,506	13,116	15,912	(4,033)
[illegible]	(280,175)	(278,375)	(274,917)	(250,841)	(287,492)	(246,160)
[illegible]	43,071	292,672	209,651	(2,278)	4,907	(54,157)
[illegible]	1,330,852	1,104,881	1,086,431	669,009	625,241	477,709
[illegible]	547,218	501,754	433,950	262,283	254,281	191,307
[illegible]	783,634	603,127	652,481	406,726	370,960	286,402
[illegible]	889	1,248	1,233	1,296	1,383	1,457
[illegible]	$ 782,745	$ 601,879	$ 651,248	$ 405,430	$ 369,577	$ 284,945
[illegible]						
[illegible]	$2.50	$1.97	$2.12	$1.32	$1.21	$.94
[illegible]	$2.47	$1.95	$2.10	$1.31	$1.20	$.93
[illegible]	$1.235	$1.175	$1.115	$1.055	$.98	$.90
[illegible]						
[illegible]	312,841	305,344	307,884	308,160	305,253	302,854
[illegible]	316,814	308,363	309,861	309,989	307,206	305,326
[illegible]	$10,774,203	$10,155,454	$9,232,007	$8,799,641	$7,672,798	$6,960,099
[illegible]	$ 4,205,737	$ 3,632,032	$3,051,995	$2,865,217	$2,218,735	$1,841,533
[illegible]	$ 3,751,904	$ 3,683,631	$3,859,840	$3,639,281	$3,485,874	$3,339,393

[illegible] million from the sale of MCI WorldCom common stock. The gain increased net income by $27.2 million or $.08 per [illegible] million in connection with the closing of the Company's mergers with Aliant Communications Inc.; Liberty Cellular; [illegible] Information Resources, Limited; and Southern Data Systems and with certain loss contingencies and other restructuring activities. [illegible] per share. (See Notes 9 and 11.)

[illegible] million from the sale of certain investments, principally consisting of MCI WorldCom common stock. These gains [illegible] per share. Net income also includes $252.0 million of merger and integration expenses related to the closing of the merger [illegible] merger and integration expenses decreased net income $201.0 million or $.66 per share. Net income also includes a pretax [illegible] charges as a customer care and billing contract with a major customer and termination fees of $3.5 million incurred due to the early [illegible] decreased net income $35.7 million or $.12 per share. (See Notes 9, 10 and 11.)

[illegible] million from the sale of certain investments, principally consisting of MCI WorldCom common stock and from the sale [illegible] gains increased net income by $121.5 million or $.40 per share. Net income also includes a pretax write-down of $16.9 [illegible] the Company's wire and cable operations. This write-down decreased net income $11.7 million or $.04 per share. (See Notes [illegible]

[illegible] $120.3 million to adjust the carrying value of certain software and other assets. The write-downs decreased net income [illegible]

[illegible] million from the sale of certain wireline properties, partially offset by termination fees of $14.0 million incurred due [illegible] additional pretax write-down of $5.0 million in the carrying value of the Company's check processing operations. In [illegible] million related to the discontinuance of regulatory accounting by a subsidiary. These transactions increased net [illegible]

[illegible] $54.2 million to reflect the estimated net realizable value of the Company's community banking and check [illegible] net income by $32.2 million or $.11 per share.

Consolidated Statements of Income

For the years ended December 31, (Thousands, except per share amounts)	1999	1998	1997
REVENUES AND SALES			
Service revenues	$5,680,149	$5,051,269	$4,382,319
Product sales	622,122	575,526	524,639
Total revenues and sales	6,302,271	5,626,795	4,906,958
COSTS AND EXPENSES			
Operations	3,225,676	2,957,960	2,560,078
Cost of products sold	598,796	561,359	501,719
Depreciation and amortization	862,172	774,549	699,096
Merger and integration expenses and other charges	90,520	252,000	—
Provision to reduce carrying value of certain assets	—	55,000	16,874
Total costs and expenses	4,777,164	4,600,868	3,777,767
OPERATING INCOME	1,525,107	1,025,927	1,129,191
Equity earnings in unconsolidated partnerships	105,025	114,859	92,087
Minority interest in consolidated partnerships	(116,647)	(104,485)	(87,966)
Other income, net	54,471	54,283	18,385
Interest expense	(280,175)	(278,375)	(274,917)
Gain on disposal of assets and other	43,071	292,672	209,651
Income before income taxes	1,330,852	1,104,881	1,086,431
Income taxes	547,218	501,754	433,950
Net income	783,634	603,127	652,481
Preferred dividends	889	1,248	1,233
Net income applicable to common shares	$ 782,745	$ 601,879	$ 651,248
EARNINGS PER SHARE			
Basic	$2.50	$1.97	$2.12
Diluted	$2.47	$1.95	$2.10

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

December 31,
(thousands)

ASSETS	1999	1998
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and short-term investments	$ 17,595	$ 89,065
Accounts receivable (less allowance for doubtful accounts of $35,017 and $30,207, respectively)	922,159	843,129
Materials and supplies	15,130	20,067
Inventories	148,292	98,443
Prepaid expenses and other	64,003	51,857
Total current assets	1,167,179	1,102,561
Investments	1,594,029	1,675,792
Goodwill and other intangibles	1,997,315	1,824,225
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT		
Wireline	5,194,546	4,629,308
Wireless	3,545,778	2,935,172
Information services	775,532	678,244
Other	241,297	182,066
Under construction	533,854	652,726
Total property, plant and equipment	10,291,007	9,077,516
Less accumulated depreciation	4,556,462	3,814,390
Net property, plant and equipment	5,734,545	5,263,126
Other assets	281,135	289,750
TOTAL ASSETS	$10,774,203	$10,155,454

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LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

	1999	1998
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Current maturities of long-term debt	$ 71,222	$ 81,012
Accounts and notes payable	508,045	564,399
Advance payments and customer deposits	117,915	143,573
Accrued taxes	88,723	91,535
Accrued dividends	101,607	90,804
Other current liabilities	306,455	330,518
Total current liabilities	1,193,967	1,301,841
Long-term debt	3,750,413	3,678,626
Deferred income taxes	1,056,921	1,001,143
Other liabilities	565,674	536,807
Preferred stock, redeemable	1,491	5,005
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Preferred stock	562	9,121
Common stock	314,258	306,015
Additional capital	973,356	919,021
Unrealized holding gain on investments	594,130	548,723
Retained earnings	2,323,431	1,849,152
Total shareholders' equity	4,205,737	3,632,032
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	$10,774,203	$10,155,454

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

For the years ended December 31, (Thousands)	1999	1998	1997
CASH PROVIDED FROM OPERATIONS			
Net income	$ 783,634	$ 603,127	$ 652,481
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided from operations:			
Depreciation and amortization	862,172	774,549	699,096
Merger and integration expenses and other charges, provision to reduce carrying value of certain assets, gain on disposal of assets and other	38,859	56,927	(109,741)
Other, net	60,455	21,428	56,423
Increase in deferred income taxes	78,426	81,079	42,773
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effects of acquisitions:			
Accounts receivable	(111,950)	(150,078)	(147,206)
Inventories and materials and supplies	(41,557)	(2,295)	4,976
Accounts payable	(113,514)	892	26,036
Other current liabilities	(130,683)	3,018	47,732
Other, net	74,187	17,201	(1,811)
Net cash provided from operations	1,500,029	1,405,848	1,270,759
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Additions to property, plant and equipment	(1,006,475)	(998,004)	(899,723)
Additions to capitalized software development costs	(45,092)	(90,136)	(74,225)
Additions to other intangible assets	—	—	(146,526)
Additions to investments	(26,088)	(34,625)	(134,037)
Purchase of property, net of cash acquired	(99,946)	(81,102)	(113,213)
Proceeds from the sale of investments	45,021	326,066	195,903
Proceeds from the return on investments	87,854	58,324	50,336
Proceeds from the sale of assets	—	-	202,300
Other, net	(16,643)	(45,115)	(86,687)
Net cash used in investing activities	(1,061,369)	(864,592)	(1,005,872)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Dividends on preferred and common stock	(378,176)	(272,091)	(236,004)
Reductions in long-term debt	(344,527)	(413,969)	(73,280)
Purchase of common stock	—	(15,113)	(218,617)
Preferred stock redemptions and purchases	(11,915)	(5,044)	(873)
Contributions from minority investors	—	10,000	—
Distributions to minority investors	(113,294)	(102,788)	(45,063)
Long-term debt issued	298,174	244,164	295,611
Common stock issued	39,608	47,225	13,832
Net cash used in financing activities	(510,130)	(507,616)	(264,394)
Increase (decrease) in cash and short-term investments	(71,470)	33,640	493
CASH AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS			
Beginning of the year	89,065	55,425	54,932
End of the year	$ 17,595	$ 89,065	$ 55,425
SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW DISCLOSURES			
Interest paid, net of amounts capitalized	$ 243,357	$ 239,351	$ 248,834
Income taxes paid	$ 454,547	$ 339,703	$ 312,085

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Consolidated Statements of Shareholders' Equity

[illegible]	*Preferred Stock*	*Common Stock*	*Additional Capital*	*Unrealized Holding Gain on Investments*	*Retained Earnings*	*Total*
Balance at December 31, 1996	$9,198	$309,846	$1,058,494	$351,867	$1,135,812	$2,865,217
Net income	—	—	—	—	652,481	652,481
Other comprehensive loss, net of tax:						
Unrealized holding gains on investments, net of reclassification adjustments (See Note 13)	—	—	—	(51,196)	—	(51,196)
Comprehensive income	—	—	—	(51,196)	652,481	601,285
Acquisition of subsidiaries	—	872	26,348	—	—	27,220
Employee plans, net	—	722	13,110	—	—	13,832
Conversion of preferred stock and debentures	(43)	67	266	—	—	290
Repurchase of stock	—	(6,851)	(211,766)	—	—	(218,617)
Other, net	—	—	1,707	—	—	1,707
Dividends:						
Common	—	—	—	—	(237,706)	(237,706)
Preferred	—	—	—	—	(1,233)	(1,233)
Balance at December 31, 1997	$9,155	$304,656	$888,159	$300,671	$1,549,354	$3,051,995
Net income	—	—	—	—	603,127	603,127
Other comprehensive income, net of tax:						
Unrealized holding gains on investments, net of reclassification adjustments (See Note 13)	—	—	—	248,052	—	248,052
Comprehensive income	—	—	—	248,052	603,127	851,179
Employee plans, net	—	1,741	45,484	—	—	47,225
Conversion of preferred stock and debentures	(34)	23	86	—	—	75
Repurchase of stock	—	(405)	(14,708)	—	—	(15,113)
Dividends:						
Common	—	—	—	—	(302,081)	(302,081)
Preferred	—	—	—	—	(1,248)	(1,248)
Balance at December 31, 1998	$9,121	$306,015	$919,021	$548,723	$1,849,152	$3,632,032
Net income	—	—	—	—	783,634	783,634
Other comprehensive income, net of tax:						
Unrealized holding gains on investments, net of reclassification adjustments (See Note 13)	—	—	—	45,407	—	45,407
Comprehensive income	—	—	—	45,407	783,634	829,041
Acquisition of subsidiaries	—	6,515	16,297	—	80,496	103,308
Employee plans, net	—	1,694	37,914	—	—	39,608
Conversion of preferred stock and debentures	(39)	34	124	—	—	119
Redemption of preferred stock	(8,520)	—	—	—	—	(8,520)
Dividends:						
Common	—	—	—	—	(388,962)	(388,962)
Preferred	—	—	—	—	(889)	(889)
Balance at December 31, 1999	$ 562	$314,258	$ 973,356	$594,130	$2,323,431	$4,205,737

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

1. [illegible] of Significant Accounting Policies:

[illegible] — ALLTEL Corporation ("ALLTEL" or the [illegible]) is a [illegible] information technology company [illegible] and wireless communications and information [illegible]. The Company [illegible] subsidiaries that provide wireless and [illegible], network access and Internet services, and [illegible] management services and advanced application [illegible] regarding ALLTEL's business [illegible].

Basis of Presentation — ALLTEL prepares its consolidated financial [illegible] with generally accepted accounting principles, [illegible] to make estimates and assumptions [illegible] amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and [illegible] of contingent assets and liabilities. The [illegible] used in the accompanying consolidated [illegible] upon management's evaluation of [illegible] as of the date of the financial [illegible] may differ from the estimates and [illegible] the accompanying consolidated [illegible].

[illegible] statements include the accounts of [illegible] companies and majority-owned partnerships. [illegible] owned entities and all unconsolidated [illegible] using the equity method. Investments [illegible] entities and in which the Company does not [illegible] over operating and financial policies [illegible] the cost method. All intercompany [illegible] with certain affiliates described below, [illegible] in the consolidated financial statements. Certain [illegible] reclassified to conform with the 1999 [illegible].

[illegible] of wireless access and network usage [illegible], network access, Internet access, long-distance [illegible] operating revenues, information services' [illegible] and software maintenance revenues. Product sales [illegible] product distribution and directory publishing [illegible] services' software licensing revenues and [illegible].

Transactions with Certain Affiliates — ALLTEL Communications [illegible] equipment and materials to wireline subsidiaries of the Company ([illegible] million in 1999, $185.7 million in 1998 and [illegible] in 1997), as well as to other affiliated and non-[illegible] companies and related industries. The cost [illegible] sold to the wireline subsidiaries is included [illegible] in the consolidated financial statements. [illegible] provides the data processing services [illegible] operations ($105.9 million in 1999, $118.9 [illegible] in 1997), in addition to other [illegible] companies. Directory publishing services [illegible] by ALLTEL Publishing [illegible]. Wireline revenues and sales include directory [illegible] ($35.4 million in 1999, $34.5 million [illegible] in 1997). These intercompany transactions [illegible] because the directory royalties received from [illegible] charged by the communications products and [illegible] are included in the wireline subsidiaries [illegible] Communications Inc. ("Aliant") operations) [illegible] through the regulatory process.

Regulatory Accounting — The Company's wireline subsidiaries, [illegible] operations, follow the accounting for [illegible] by Statement of Financial Accounting [illegible] No. 71, "Accounting for the Effects of Certain Types [illegible]." [illegible] the economic effects of rate [illegible] and a return on investment as such [illegible] authorized by regulatory [illegible] SFAS 71 requires the Company's wireline [illegible] over useful lives as approved [illegible] than the useful lives that would [illegible]. SFAS 71 also requires [illegible] based upon approvals received from regulators to permit recovery of such amounts in future years. The Company's wireline subsidiaries periodically review the applicability of SFAS 71 based on the developments in their current regulatory and competitive environments.

Cash and Short-term Investments — Cash and short-term investments consist of highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

Inventories — Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market value. Cost is determined primarily using either an average original cost or first-in, first-out method of valuation.

Investments — Investments in equity securities are recorded at fair value in accordance with SFAS No. 115 (See Note 3.) Investments in unconsolidated partnerships are accounted for using the equity method (See Note 4.) All other investments are accounted for using the cost method. Investments were as follows at December 31:

	(Thousands) 1999	1998
Equity securities	$1,006,193	$ 967,787
Investments in unconsolidated partnerships	490,773	634,176
Other cost investments	97,063	73,829
	$1,594,029	$1,675,792

Investments in unconsolidated partnerships include the excess of the purchase price paid over the underlying net book value of wireless partnerships of $220.3 million and $299.9 million as of December 31, 1999 and 1998, respectively. Amortization expense for the years ended December 31, 1999, 1998 and 1997 was $7.0 million, $7.2 million and $6.5 million, respectively, and is included in equity earnings from unconsolidated partnerships in the accompanying consolidated statements of income.

Goodwill and Other Intangibles — Goodwill represents the excess of cost over the fair value of net assets acquired and is amortized on a straight-line basis for periods up to 40 years. The Company has acquired identifiable intangible assets through its acquisitions of interests in various wireless systems and acquisitions of wireline properties. The cost of acquired entities is allocated to identifiable assets at the date of the acquisition, and the excess of the total purchase price over the amounts assigned to identifiable assets is recorded as goodwill. Intangible assets related to the acquisition of entities in which the Company does not have a controlling interest are included in investments in unconsolidated partnerships. At December 31, 1999 and 1998, goodwill, net of amortization, was $1,739.2 million and $1,577.3 million, respectively. Amortization expense amounted to $57.1 million in 1999, $48.9 million in 1998 and $47.8 million in 1997.

Other intangibles primarily consist of the cost of Personal Communications Services ("PCS") licenses including capitalized interest, franchise rights, cellular licenses, customer lists and trained workforce. The PCS licenses are amortized upon commencement of operations. Of the total cost capitalized related to PCS licenses, $34.4 million and $17.5 million was subject to amortization at December 31, 1999 and 1998, respectively. Amortization of all intangible assets is computed on a straight-line basis over the periods specified below. Amortization expense for other intangibles amounted to $7.8 million in 1999, $8.4 million in 1998 and $6.9 million in 1997. Other intangibles were as follows at December 31:

	Amortization Period	(Thousands) 1999	1998
PCS licenses	40 years	$171,135	$163,073
Franchise rights	25 years	79,501	66,455
Cellular licenses	40 years	22,227	20,967
Customer lists	5-13 years	7,000	6,732
Trained workforce	14 years	5,800	5,800
Other	25-40 years	3,615	143
		289,278	263,170
Accumulated amortization		(31,188)	(16,244)
Total other intangibles		$258,090	$246,926

[illegible] and other intangibles is periodically [illegible] for the existence of impairment on the basis of [illegible] assets are fully recoverable from projected [illegible] cash flows of the related business unit. If not fully [illegible] undiscounted cash flows, an impairment loss [illegible] for the difference between the carrying value of [illegible] and its estimated fair value based on discounted [illegible].

Property, Plant and Equipment — Property, plant and equipment [illegible]. Depreciation is computed using the [illegible] for financial reporting purposes. Depreciation [illegible] to $754.1 million in 1999, $680.7 million in 1998 [illegible] in 1997. The composite depreciation rates by class of [illegible] average depreciable plant and equipment were:

	1999	1998	1997
[illegible]	7.3%	6.7%	6.4%
[illegible]	10.2%	10.4%	10.4%
[illegible]	16.8%	17.4%	17.0%
[illegible]	4.2%	5.5%	6.2%

[illegible] interest during periods of construction. [illegible] construction amounted to $29.8 million in [illegible] and $14.3 million in 1997 and is included in [illegible] in the accompanying consolidated statements of [illegible].

Revenue Recognition — Communications revenues are recognized [illegible] by contractual arrangements with customers [illegible] from usage of the Company's networks [illegible] revenue-sharing arrangements with other [illegible] carriers. (Management's Discussion and Analysis [illegible] a prospective change in revenue recognition [illegible] revenues.) Information services revenues [illegible] revenue recognized as services are performed, [illegible] recognized when delivery of the software [illegible] maintenance revenue recognized ratably over the [illegible]. Certain long-term contracts are accounted for [illegible] completion method. Under this method, [illegible] are recognized throughout the term of the contract, [illegible] total costs to be incurred and revenues to [illegible] the term of the contract. Changes in estimates [illegible] are recognized in the period in which [illegible]. Due to the uncertainty of these estimates, it is [illegible] these estimates could change in the near term, [illegible] to the accompanying consolidated [illegible]. For all other operations, revenue is recognized [illegible] are rendered to customers.

[illegible] receivable and other assets are unbilled [illegible] related to the information services segment [illegible] and $91.6 million at December 31, 1999 and [illegible]. Included in these unbilled receivables are amounts [illegible] and $55.0 million at December 31, 1999 and [illegible], which represent costs and estimated earnings in [illegible] related to long-term contracts accounted for under the [illegible] method.

Computer Software Development Costs — For the Company's [illegible], research and development expenditures [illegible] computer software are charged to [illegible]. The development costs of software to be marketed [illegible] technological feasibility is established. After [illegible] software development costs are capitalized and [illegible] in the accompanying consolidated balance [illegible] costs incurred in the application [illegible] software are capitalized and [illegible] in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets. [illegible] 1999 and 1998, total capitalized software [illegible] amortization, were $295.8 million and [illegible]. Amortization of the capitalized amounts is [illegible] basis using the straight-line method [illegible] economic life of the product, generally three to six years for software to be marketed. Internal use software is amortized over various periods not exceeding ten years. Amortization expense amounted to $43.2 million in 1999, $36.5 million in 1998 and $25.1 million in 1997.

The carrying value of capitalized software development costs to be marketed is periodically evaluated by the Company. If the net realizable value of the capitalized software development costs is less than its carrying value, an impairment loss is recognized for the difference. The determination of net realizable value requires considerable judgment by management with respect to certain external factors, including, but not limited to, anticipated future revenues generated by the software, the estimated economic life of the software and changes in software and hardware technologies. Accordingly, it is reasonably possible that estimates of anticipated future revenues generated by the software, the remaining economic life of the software, or both, could be reduced in the near term, materially impacting the carrying value of capitalized software development costs.

Earnings Per Share — Basic earnings per share of common stock was determined by dividing net income applicable to common shares by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during each year. Diluted earnings per share reflects the potential dilution that could occur assuming conversion or exercise of all outstanding preferred stocks and issued and unexercised stock options. No options were excluded from the computation of diluted earnings per share at December 31, 1998, while options to purchase approximately 155,000 and 2,447,000 shares of common stock at December 31, 1999 and 1997, respectively, were excluded from the computation of diluted earnings per share because the effect of including them was anti-dilutive.

A reconciliation of the net income and numbers of shares used in computing basic and diluted earnings per share was as follows:

(Thousands, except per share amounts)	*1999*	*1998*	*1997*
Basic earnings per share:			
Net income applicable to common shares	$782,745	$601,879	$651,248
Weighted average common shares outstanding for the year	312,841	305,344	307,884
Basic earnings per share of common stock	$2.50	$1.97	$2.12
Diluted earnings per share:			
Net income applicable to common shares	$782,745	$601,879	$651,248
Adjustments for convertible securities:			
Preferred stocks	173	174	206
Net income applicable to common shares, assuming conversion of above securities	$782,918	$602,053	$651,454
Weighted average common shares outstanding for the year	312,841	305,344	307,884
Increase in shares which would result from:			
Exercise of stock options	3,529	2,551	1,454
Conversion of convertible preferred stocks	444	468	523
Weighted average common shares, assuming conversion of the above securities	316,814	308,363	309,861
Diluted earnings per share of common stock	$2.47	$1.95	$2.10

2. Mergers:

On September 30, 1999, the Company completed mergers with Liberty Cellular, Inc. ("Liberty") and its affiliate KINI L.C. under definitive merger agreements entered into on June 22, 1999. Under terms of the merger agreements, the outstanding stock of Liberty, which operates under the name Kansas Cellular, and the outstanding ownership units of KINI L.C. were exchanged for approximately 7.0 million shares of ALLTEL's common stock. On July 2, 1999, the Company completed its merger with Aliant under a definitive merger agreement entered into on December 18, 1998. Under the terms of the merger agreement, Aliant became a wholly-owned subsidiary of ALLTEL, and each outstanding share of Aliant common stock was converted into the right to receive .67 shares of ALLTEL common stock, 23.9 million common shares in the aggregate. The mergers qualified as tax-free reorganizations and have been accounted for as poolings-of-interests.

[illegible] financial statements have been [illegible] the accounts and results of operations of Aliant, [illegible] L.C. [illegible] prior to the mergers. The combined [illegible] ALLTEL, Aliant, Liberty and KINI L.C. include certain [illegible] adjustments to conform the accounting [illegible] of the companies.

[illegible] combined results of operations for certain periods prior [illegible] are as follows:

[illegible]	[illegible] 1999	For the Years Ended December 31, 1998	1997
[illegible]			
[illegible]	$2,837,950	$5,194,008	$4,545,140
[illegible]	132,892	330,007	286,328
[illegible]	59,526	110,178	92,134
[illegible]	(3,255)	(15,398)	(16,644)
[illegible]	$3,077,113	$5,626,795	$4,906,958
[illegible]			
[illegible]	$ 356,830	$ 525,475	$ 589,381
[illegible]	32,955	58,059	53,039
[illegible]	9,966	19,593	10,061
[illegible]	$ 399,751	$ 603,127	$ 652,481

[illegible] completed a merger with Standard [illegible] in September 1999, the Company also [illegible] Advanced Information Resources, Limited [illegible] Data Systems ("Southern Data"). In connection [illegible] 6.5 million shares of ALLTEL common [illegible] qualified as tax-free reorganizations [illegible] poolings-of-interests. Prior-period financial [illegible] since the operations of the three [illegible] significant to ALLTEL's consolidated financial [illegible] separate or aggregate basis. The accompanying [illegible] include the accounts and results [illegible] Standard, AIR and Southern Data from the date [illegible]

[illegible] the Company completed its merger with [illegible] ("360°") under a definitive merger [illegible] March 16, 1998. Under the terms of the [illegible] became a wholly-owned subsidiary of the [illegible] with the merger, each outstanding share of [illegible] into the right to receive .74 shares [illegible] 92.1 million common shares in the [illegible] qualified as a tax-free reorganization and was [illegible] pooling-of-interests.

[illegible] with the mergers discussed above, the Company [illegible] and other charges in 1999 [illegible]

[illegible] Instruments and Investment Securities:

[illegible] of cash and short-term investments [illegible] due to the short maturity of the instruments. [illegible] was $1,594.0 million in 1999 and [illegible] based on quoted market prices and the [illegible] there were no quoted market [illegible] of the Company's long-term debt, after deducting [illegible] to be $3,536.1 million in 1999 and [illegible] a carrying value of $3,750.4 [illegible] 1998. The fair value estimates [illegible] rates and maturities of the [illegible] compared to rates and terms currently [illegible] markets. The fair value of the [illegible] stock was estimated to be $24.2 [illegible] in 1998 compared to a carrying [illegible] and $5.0 million in 1998. The fair value [illegible] of the Series D convertible [illegible] stock of the Company and the [illegible] preferred stock for which [illegible] During 1999, the Company redeemed all of the outstanding shares of the Series A redeemable preferred stock. The fair value of all other financial instruments was estimated by management to approximate the carrying value.

Equity securities owned by the Company have been classified as available-for-sale and are reported at fair value, with unrealized gains and losses reported, net of tax, as a separate component of shareholders' equity. The Company had unrealized gains, net of tax, on investments in equity securities of $594.1 million, $548.7 million and $300.7 million at December 31, 1999, 1998 and 1997, respectively, principally derived from ALLTEL's investment in MCI WorldCom, Inc. ("MCI WorldCom") common stock. The unrealized gains, including the related tax impact, are non-cash items and accordingly have been excluded from the accompanying consolidated statements of cash flows. During 1999, 1998 and 1997, the Company sold a portion of its investment in MCI WorldCom common stock. (See Note 11.)

4. Investments in Unconsolidated Partnerships:

At December 31, 1999, the Company has investments in 51 wireless partnerships in which it holds a minority ownership interest. The interest owned in each unconsolidated partnership ranges from approximately 1% to 49%. Unaudited, condensed, combined financial information for investments in unconsolidated partnerships was as follows for the years ended December 31:

(Thousands)	1999	1998	1997
Revenues and sales	$3,568,972	$3,120,715	$2,811,724
Operations	2,030,982	1,664,365	1,673,913
Cost of products sold	209,741	152,128	83,674
Depreciation and amortization	374,948	358,850	303,225
Total operating expenses	2,615,671	2,175,343	2,060,812
Operating income	953,301	945,372	750,912
Non-operating income (expense)	(9,666)	(18,414)	1,202
Income before cumulative effects of changes in accounting principles	943,635	926,958	752,114
Cumulative effects of changes in accounting principles, net	—	—	(19,278)
Net income	$ 943,635	$ 926,958	$ 732,836

	December 31, 1999	1998
Assets:		
Current assets	$ 834,466	$ 634,073
Non-current assets	2,308,365	2,432,535
Total assets	$3,142,831	$3,066,608
Liabilities and equity:		
Current liabilities	$ 264,497	$ 49,602
Long-term liabilities	16,681	19,166
Equity	2,861,653	2,997,840
Total liabilities and equity	$3,142,831	$3,066,608

[illegible] Debt

[illegible], after deducting current maturities, was as follows at [illegible]:

	(Thousands) 1999	1998
[illegible], without collateral:		
[illegible] in 1999 and [illegible] in 1998		
[illegible] years in 1999 and 10 years in 1998	$2,977,931	$2,698,683
[illegible]		
[illegible] in 1999 and [illegible] in 1998		
[illegible] years in 1999 and 1998	341,050	578,520
[illegible] Bank and Federal Financing Bank notes:		
[illegible] in 1999 and [illegible] in 1998		
[illegible] years in 1999 and 16 years in 1998	296,840	252,240
[illegible] and collateralized notes:		
[illegible] in 1999 and 6.3% in 1998		
[illegible] years in 1999 and 1998	65,564	85,835
[illegible]		
[illegible] in 1999 and 4.6% in 1998		
[illegible] years in 1999 and 16 years in 1998	63,828	57,498
[illegible]		
[illegible] in 1999 and [illegible] in 1998		
[illegible] years in 1999 and 9 years in 1998	5,200	5,850
[illegible]	$3,750,413	$3,678,626
[illegible] rate	7.1%	7.0%
[illegible] maturity	11 years	10 years

The Company has a $1 billion revolving credit agreement, which [illegible] date of October 1, 2004, with provision for annual [illegible] the Company's intention to continue to renew this [illegible]. The revolving credit agreement provides for a variety of [illegible].

The [illegible] and agreements, as amended, provide, among [illegible], for various restrictions on the payment of dividends [illegible]. Retained earnings unrestricted as to the payment [illegible] the Company amounted to $2,067.5 million at [illegible] 31, 1999. Certain properties have been pledged as collateral [illegible] of obligations.

[illegible] on long-term debt amounted to $278.9 million [illegible] in 1998 and $273.7 million in 1997. At [illegible] 31, 1999 and 1998, accrued interest on long-term debt [illegible] and $54.4 million, respectively. Maturities and sinking [illegible] for the four years after 2000 for long-term debt [illegible] the revolving credit agreement, as of [illegible] 31, 1999, were $61.9 million, $61.8 million, $504.3 million [illegible] for the years 2001 through 2004, respectively.

[illegible] Common Stock

[illegible] shares of $1 par value common stock authorized of [illegible] and 306,014,857 shares were outstanding at [illegible] 31, 1999 and 1998, respectively. At December 31, 1999, [illegible] 24,070,312 common shares reserved for issuance [illegible] stock options (23,274,216 shares) and convertible [illegible] shares).

The Company has stock-based compensation plans. Under these [illegible] may grant fixed and performance-based incentive [illegible] stock options to officers and other key employees. [illegible] of shares of the Company's common stock that [illegible] officers and other key employees under all stock [illegible] at December 31, 1999 is 26,615,611 shares. [illegible] granted under the stock option plans generally become [illegible] years from the date of grant. Certain fixed [illegible] 1997 become exercisable in equal increments over [illegible] three years from the date of grant. [illegible] options were granted in 1997, and such options [illegible] one year from the date in which certain [illegible] related to operating income growth and return [illegible] are achieved for the four most recent consecutive calendar quarters. Four separate levels of performance goal targets ha been established, each specifying different minimum growth and retu rates. Depending upon which of the four performance goal target leve is attained, 25%, 50%, 75% or 100% of the option award will vest and become exercisable.

Under the 1994 Stock Option Plan for Non-employee Directors (the "Directors' Plan"), the Company grants fixed, non-qualified stock options to directors for up to 1,000,000 shares of common stock. Und the Directors' Plan, directors receive a one-time grant to purchase 10,000 shares of common stock. Directors are also granted each year, on the date of the annual meeting of stockholders, an option to purchase a specified number of shares of common stock (currently 5,500 shares). Options granted under the Directors' Plan become exercisable the day immediately preceding the date of the first annual meeting of stockholders following the date of grant.

For all plans, the exercise price of the option equals the market valu of the Company's common stock on the date of grant. For fixed stock options, the maximum term for each option granted is 10 years. Any performance-based option that remains unvested as of January 29, 2003, will expire.

The fair value of each stock option granted was estimated using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model and the following weighted average assumptions:

	1999	1998	1997
Expected life	5.1 years	5.2 years	5.6 years
Expected volatility	22.0%	24.0%	21.6%
Dividend yield	1.9%	1.9%	2.9%
Risk-free interest rate	4.8%	5.4%	6.2%

The following is a summary of stock options outstanding, granted, exercised, forfeited and expired under the Company's stock-based compensation plans:

	Shares 1999	1998	1997	Weighted Average Price Per Share 1999	1998	1997
Outstanding at beginning of period	10,226,979	9,744,398	6,657,438	$32.53	$28.65	$24.70
Granted	3,429,000	2,889,320	4,442,720	65.16	40.50	32.73
Exercised	(1,827,493)	(1,829,843)	(953,313)	27.35	24.00	20.19
Forfeited	(1,014,269)	(566,343)	(357,413)	43.62	33.90	28.64
Expired	—	(10,553)	(45,034)	—	38.99	25.79
Outstanding at end of period	10,814,217	10,226,979	9,744,398	$42.71	$32.53	$28.65
Exercisable at end of period	3,186,683	3,643,826	3,822,526	$29.47	$26.24	$23.56
Non-vested at end of period:						
Fixed	7,465,159	6,326,653	5,635,372			
Performance-based	162,375	256,500	286,500			
Weighted average fair value of stock options granted during the year	$15.25	$10.49	$7.66			

[illegible] a summary of stock options outstanding as of [illegible]

[illegible]		Options Outstanding [illegible]			Options Exercisable	
[illegible]		[illegible]	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life	Weighted Average Exercise Price Per Share	Number of Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price Per Share
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1.8 years	$18.83	591,552	$18.83
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	4.7 years	27.75	1,233,896	27.85
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	7.0 years	31.89	929,587	31.78
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	7.8 years	34.75	69,855	38.86
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	8.3 years	45.25	356,293	44.23
		[illegible]	9.2 years	65.82	5,500	70.75
		[illegible]	7.4 years	$42.71	3,186,683	$29.47

[illegible] the provisions of Accounting Principles [illegible] No. 25 and related interpretations in accounting for [illegible] compensation plans. Accordingly, the Company does [illegible] compensation expense for any of the fixed stock options [illegible] performance-based options, compensation expense is [illegible] over the expected vesting period of the options and is [illegible] for changes in the number of options expected to vest and [illegible] of the Company's common stock. Compensation [illegible] for the performance-based options amounted to $(0.5) [illegible] 1999, $2.8 million in 1998 and $0.5 million in 1997. Had [illegible] expense for options granted been determined on the [illegible] of the awards at the date of grant, consistent [illegible] prescribed by SFAS No. 123, the Company's [illegible] and earnings per share would have been reduced to the [illegible] amounts for the years ended December 31:

[illegible]	1999	1998	1997
[illegible]			
[illegible]			
[illegible]	$783,634	$603,127	$652,481
[illegible]	$770,453	$594,164	$646,703
[illegible]			
[illegible]	$2.50	$1.97	$2.12
[illegible]	$2.46	$1.94	$2.10
[illegible]			
[illegible]	$2.47	$1.95	$2.10
	$2.43	$1.92	$2.08

[illegible] amounts presented above may not be representative [illegible] on reported net income and earnings per share [illegible] compensation expense is allocated over the periods [illegible] exercisable, and new option awards may be [illegible]

[illegible] Benefit Plans and Postretirement Benefits Other Than [illegible]

[illegible] non-contributory defined benefit pension [illegible] benefits for eligible employees of the [illegible] of the plans include common stock of the Company [illegible] and $43.8 million at December 31, 1999 [illegible] Pension credit, including provision for [illegible] agreements, totaled $(2.8) million in 1999, [illegible] in 1997.

[illegible] postretirement healthcare and life insurance [illegible] Employees share in the cost of these [illegible] the accrued costs of these plans as [illegible] expense totaled $11.4 million in 1999, [illegible] and $8.8 million in 1997

The components of the pension and postretirement expense (credit) were as follows for the years ended December 31:

	(Thousands)					
	Pension Benefits			Postretirement Benefits		
	1999	1998	1997	1999	1998	1997
Benefits earned during the year	$21,250	$14,523	$14,173	$ 1,002	$ 485	$ 940
Interest cost on benefit obligation	40,836	38,935	36,130	8,426	7,844	6,886
Amortization of transition (asset) obligation	(2,616)	(2,616)	(2,616)	976	976	976
Amortization of prior service (credit) cost	(334)	(538)	(538)	169	169	153
Recognized net actuarial (gain) loss	(3,723)	(3,572)	(3,943)	842	482	(170)
Expected return on plan assets	(58,255)	(55,976)	(49,562)	—	—	—
Net periodic (credit) expense	$(2,842)	$(9,244)	$(6,356)	$11,415	$9,956	$8,785

The following table presents a summary of plan assets, projected benefit obligation and funded status of the plans at December 31:

	(Thousands)			
	Pension Benefits		Postretirement Benefits	
	1999	1998	1999	1998
Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year	$744,418	$688,011	$ —	$ —
Employer contributions	—	—	8,064	8,464
Participant contributions	—	—	2,186	2,354
Actual return on plan assets	120,839	88,398	—	—
Benefits paid	(33,352)	(31,991)	(10,250)	(10,818)
Fair value of plan assets at end of year	831,905	744,418	—	—
Projected benefit obligation at beginning of year	595,472	526,482	116,840	108,958
Benefits earned	21,250	14,523	1,002	485
Interest cost on projected benefit obligation	40,836	38,935	8,426	7,844
Participant contributions	—	—	2,186	2,354
Plan amendments	(1,978)	2,488	—	—
Actuarial (gain) loss	(65,534)	45,035	(1,405)	8,017
Benefits paid	(33,352)	(31,991)	(10,250)	(10,818)
Projected benefit obligation at end of year	556,694	595,472	116,799	116,840
Plan assets in excess of (less than) projected benefit obligation	275,211	148,946	(116,799)	(116,840)
Unrecognized actuarial (gain) loss	(237,512)	(116,560)	26,074	23,736
Unrecognized prior service cost	4,671	6,314	2,136	2,305
Unrecognized net transition (asset) obligation	(8,658)	(11,275)	12,687	13,662
Prepaid (accrued) benefit cost	$ 33,712	$ 27,425	$(75,902)	$(77,137)

Actuarial assumptions used to calculate the projected benefit obligations were as follows for the years ended December 31:

	Pension Benefits		Postretirement Benefits	
	1999	1998	1999	1998
Discount rate	7.8%	6.9%	7.8%	7.5%
Expected return on plan assets	8.5%	8.5%	—	—
Rate of compensation increase	5.2%	5.2%	—	—
Healthcare cost trend rate	—	—	7.0%	9.1%

The healthcare cost trend rate is expected to decrease on a graduated basis to an ultimate rate of 6 percent in the year 2000. A one percent change in the assumed healthcare cost trend rate for each future year would affect the postretirement benefit cost by approximately $0.6 million for the year ended December 31, 1999. A one percent increase in the assumed healthcare cost trend rate would increase the postretirement benefit obligation as of December 31, 1999, [illegible] $7.8 [illegible] while a one percent decrease in the rate [illegible] benefit obligation as of December 31, [illegible] approximately $6.7 million.

The Company has a non-contributory defined contribution plan in the form of profit-sharing arrangements for eligible employees, except [illegible] employees. The amount of profit-sharing contributions [illegible] annually by the Company's Board of Directors. [illegible] expense amounted to $34.1 million in 1999, $19.4 million [illegible] in 1997.

The Company also sponsors employee savings plans under section [illegible] Revenue Code. The plans cover substantially all [illegible] employees, except bargaining unit employees. Employees [illegible] to the plans a portion of their eligible pretax [illegible] specified by the plans. The [illegible] makes annual contributions to the plans. Expense [illegible] by the Company related to these plans amounted to $15.9 [illegible] 1999, $11.4 million in 1998 and $15.3 million in 1997.

8. Lease Commitments:

[illegible] commitments for all non-cancelable operating leases, [illegible] of leases for office space, office equipment, real [illegible], were as follows as of December 31, 1999:

Year	(Thousands)
2000	$ 58,919
2001	46,695
2002	35,214
2003	25,915
2004	19,826
Thereafter	91,642
Total	$278,211

Rental expense totaled $71.4 million in 1999, $71.3 million in 1998 [illegible] in 1997.

9. Merger and Integration Expenses and Other Charges:

During the third quarter of 1999, the Company recorded a pretax charge in connection with its mergers with Aliant, Liberty and its [illegible], AM and Southern Data and with certain loss [illegible] and other restructuring activities. The following is a summary of the significant components included in this charge:

[illegible]	(Thousands)
[illegible]	$73,410
[illegible]	17,110
	$90,520

The merger and integration expenses include professional and [illegible] fees of $24.8 million, severance and employee-related [illegible] of $15.4 million and other integration costs of $33.6 million. [illegible] merger and integration plan, as approved by ALLTEL's Board of Directors, provides for a reduction of 200 employees of [illegible], primarily in the corporate support functions, to [illegible] by the third quarter of 2000. As of December 31, 1999, the Company had paid $7.2 million in severance and employee-related expenses and 34 of the total 200 employee [illegible] had been completed. The other integration costs include [illegible] of lease termination costs, $10.2 million of costs [illegible] with the early termination of certain service obligations, and [illegible] write-down in the carrying value of certain in-process and [illegible] development assets that have no future alternative use [illegible]. Also included are other integration costs incurred in the [illegible] of branding and signage costs of $4.1 million [illegible] of $2.2 million.

The lease termination costs include a cancellation fee of $7.3 million [illegible] settlement to terminate the Company's [illegible] to lease building space previously occupied by the former 360° operations. The lease termination costs also include a [illegible] of capitalized leasehold improvements and $1.1 [illegible] disposal costs.

The contract termination fees include $5.2 million related to long-term contracts with an outside vendor for customer billing services to be provided to the Aliant and Liberty operations. As part of its integration plan, the Company will convert both the Aliant and Liberty operations to its own internal billing system. Conversion of the Liberty operations was completed in November 1999, and conversion of the Aliant operations will be completed by June 2000. The $5.2 million amount represents the termination fee specified in the contracts and will be paid by June 2000. The Company also recorded an additional $5.0 million charge to reflect the actual cost of terminating its contract with Convergys Corporation ("Convergys") for customer billing services to be provided to the former 360° operations. On September 14, 1999, the Company and Convergys agreed to a final contract termination fee of $55.0 million, of which $50.0 million of termination costs were recorded in the third quarter of 1998, as discussed below. The two companies had been in litigation since late last year over ALLTEL's claimed right to seek early termination of its multi-year contract with Convergys so that ALLTEL could transition all the customers processed by Convergys to its own billing system. In addition to the termination fee, the Company will continue to pay Convergys for processing customer accounts until all customers are switched to ALLTEL's billing system, which is expected to be completed in 2001. Payments for the continuing processing services will be expensed as incurred.

In connection with management's plan to reduce costs and improve operating efficiencies, the Company recorded a restructuring charge consisting of $10.8 million in severance and employee benefit costs related to a planned workforce reduction and $6.3 million in lease termination costs related to the consolidation of certain operating locations. The restructuring plan, which will result in the elimination of approximately 308 employees in the Company's wireline operations support functions, will be completed by September 2000. As of December 31, 1999, the Company had paid $1.0 million in severance and employee-related expenses and 34 of the total 308 employee reductions had been completed. The lease termination costs represent the minimum contractual commitments over the next one to four years for leased facilities the Company has abandoned.

During the third quarter of 1998, the Company recorded transaction costs and one-time charges totaling $252.0 million on a pretax basis related to the closing of its merger with 360°. The merger and integration expenses included professional and financial advisors' fees of $31.5 million, severance and employee-related expenses of $48.7 million and integration costs of $171.8 million. The Company's merger and integration plan, as approved by ALLTEL's Board of Directors, provided for a reduction of 521 employees, primarily in the corporate support functions. As of December 31, 1999, the Company had paid $40.0 million in severance and employee-related expenses and substantially all of the 521 employee reductions had been completed. The integration costs included several adjustments resulting from the redirection of a number of strategic initiatives based on the merger with 360° and ALLTEL's expanded wireless presence. These adjustments included a $60.0 million write-down in the carrying value of certain in-process software development assets, $50.0 million of costs associated with the early termination of certain service obligations, branding and signage costs of $20.7 million, an $18.0 million write-down in the carrying value of certain assets resulting from a revised PCS deployment plan and other integration costs of $23.1 million.

The estimated cost of contract termination was related to a long-term contract continuing through 2006 with Convergys for customer billing services to be provided to the 360° operations. The $50.0 million of costs recorded represented the present value of the estimated profit to the vendor over the remaining term of the contract and was the Company's best estimate of the cost of terminating the billing services contract prior to the expiration of its term. As previously noted, in September 1999, the Company and Convergys agreed upon a termination fee of $55.0 million. The $18.0 million write-down in the carrying value of certain PCS-related assets includes approximately $15.0 million related to cell site acquisition and improvement costs and capitalized labor and engineering charges that were incurred during the initial construction phase of the PCS buildout in three markets. As a result of the merger with 360°, the Company elected not to continue to complete construction of its PCS network in these three markets. The

...PCS-related write-down represents cell site lease acquisition fees.

The major action steps of the 360° merger and integration plan included: (1) the immediate stoppage of further development of a customer billing system, which had no alternative use or functionality, (2) the immediate negotiation with a vendor of an early termination of a customer billing contract, and (3) the immediate abandonment of the PCS business in three markets.

The following is a summary of activity related to the liabilities associated with the Company's merger and integration expenses and other charges at December 31:

	(Thousands) 1999	1998
Balance, beginning of year	$ 91,281	$ —
Merger and integration expenses and other charges	90,520	252,000
Noncash write-down of assets	(9,766)	(74,800)
Cash outlays	(105,562)	(85,919)
Balance, end of year	$ 66,473	$ 91,281

At December 31, 1999, the remaining unpaid liability related to the Company's merger and integration and restructuring activities consists of contract termination fees of $29.9 million, severance and employee-related expenses of $26.7 million, lease cancellation and termination costs of $5.8 million and other integration costs of $4.1 million.

The merger and integration expenses and other charges decreased net income for the periods ended December 31, 1999 and 1998, $66.0 million and $201.0 million, respectively.

10. Provision to Reduce Carrying Value of Certain Assets:

During the third quarter of 1998, the Company recorded a non-recurring operating expense associated with a contingency reserve on an unbilled receivable of $55.0 million related to its contract with GTE Corporation ("GTE"). Due to its pending merger with Bell Atlantic Corporation, GTE has re-evaluated its billing and customer care requirements, modified its billing conversion plans and is purchasing certain processing services from ALLTEL for an interim period. This charge decreased net income by $33.6 million.

In 1997, the Company recorded a pretax write-down of $16.9 million to reflect the fair value less cost to sell its product distribution segment's wire and cable subsidiary, HWC Distribution Corp. ("HWC"). The sale of HWC was completed in May 1997. This write-down resulted in a decrease in net income of $11.7 million for the year ended December 31, 1997.

11. Gain on Disposal of Assets and Other:

During the fourth quarter of 1999, the Company recorded a pretax gain of $43.1 million from the sale of a portion of its investment in MCI WorldCom common stock. Proceeds from this sale amounted to $45.0 million. This transaction increased net income $27.2 million.

During the third quarter of 1998, the Company recorded a pretax gain of $80.4 million from the sale of a portion of its investment in MCI WorldCom common stock. Proceeds from this sale amounted to $87.6 million. This transaction increased net income $49.2 million. During the second quarter of 1998, the Company recorded a pretax gain of $148.2 million from the sale of a portion of its investment in MCI WorldCom common stock. Proceeds from this sale amounted to $162.6 million. The Company also incurred termination fees of $3.5 million related to the early retirement of long-term debt. These transactions increased net income $88.1 million. During the first quarter of 1998, the Company recorded a pretax gain of $36.6 million primarily from the sale of a portion of its investment in MCI WorldCom common stock. Proceeds from the sale of stock amounted to $40.7 million. In addition, the Company recorded a pretax gain of $30.5 million from the sale of its ownership interest in a cellular partnership serving the Omaha, Neb., market. The gains from these first quarter transactions resulted in an increase of $40.4 million in net income.

In 1997, the Company recorded a pretax gain of $34.4 million primarily related to the sale of its investment in a software company. The Company also recorded a pretax gain of $156.0 million from the sale of a portion of its investment in MCI WorldCom common stock. Proceeds from the sale of this stock amounted to $185.9 million. In addition, the Company recorded a pretax gain of $16.2 million from the sale of information services' healthcare operations, and the Company recorded a pretax gain of $3.0 million from the divestiture of its ownership interests in two unconsolidated partnerships. The net income impact from these transactions resulted in an increase of $121.5 million in net income for the year ended December 31, 1997.

12. Income Taxes:

Income tax expense was as follows:

	(Thousands) 1999	1998	1997
Federal	$474,622	$438,336	$376,407
State and other	72,596	63,418	57,543
	$547,218	$501,754	$433,950

The federal income tax expense consists of the following:

	(Thousands) 1999	1998	1997
Currently payable	$428,859	$409,794	$275,398
Deferred	48,894	32,827	106,652
Investment tax credit amortized	(3,131)	(4,285)	(5,643)
	$474,622	$438,336	$376,407

Deferred income tax expense results principally from temporary differences between depreciation expense for income tax purposes and depreciation expense recorded in the financial statements. Deferred tax balances are adjusted to reflect tax rates, based on currently enacted tax laws, that will be in effect in the years in which the temporary differences are expected to reverse. For the Company's regulated operations, the adjustment in deferred tax balances for the change in tax rates is reflected as regulatory assets or liabilities. These regulatory assets and liabilities are amortized over the lives of the related depreciable asset or liability concurrent with recovery in rates.

Differences between the federal income tax statutory rates and effective income tax rates, which include both federal and state income taxes, were as follows:

	1999	1998	1997
Statutory income tax rates	35.0%	35.0%	35.0%
Increase (decrease):			
Investment tax credit	(0.2)	(0.4)	(0.5)
State income taxes, net of federal benefit	3.6	3.7	3.5
Amortization of intangibles	1.2	1.3	1.3
Merger and integration expenses and other charges	0.7	4.0	—
Other items	0.8	1.8	0.7
Effective income tax rates	41.1%	45.4%	40.0%

The significant components of the Company's net deferred income tax liability were as follows at December 31:

	(Thousands) 1999	1998
Property, plant and equipment	$ 534,745	$ 547,893
Capitalized computer software	118,986	110,547
Unrealized holding gain on investments	338,983	333,963
Operating loss carryforwards	(15,144)	(20,922)
Other, net	67,647	14,315
	1,045,217	985,796
Valuation allowance	11,704	15,347
Total	$1,056,921	$1,001,143

At December 31, 1999 and 1998, total deferred tax assets were $270.9 million and $228.7 million, respectively, and total deferred tax liabilities were $1,327.8 million and $1,229.8 million, respectively.

As of December 31, 1999 and 1998, the Company had available tax benefits associated with federal and state operating loss carryforwards of $15.1 million and $20.9 million, respectively, which expire annually in varying amounts to 2012. The valuation allowance primarily represents tax benefits of certain state operating loss carryforwards and other deferred tax assets, which may expire unutilized.

13. Other Comprehensive Income:

For the Company, other comprehensive income consists of unrealized holding gains on its investments in equity securities, principally consisting of its investment in MCI WorldCom common stock. The components of other comprehensive income were as follows for the years ended December 31:

	(Thousands)		
	1999	1998	1997
Unrealized holding gains arising in the period	$83,543	$674,461	$ 69,449
Income tax expense	10,951	264,964	32,540
	72,592	409,497	36,909
Less: reclassification adjustments for gains included in net income for the period	(43,071)	(265,644)	(155,993)
Income tax expense	15,886	104,199	67,888
	(27,185)	(161,445)	(88,105)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before tax	40,472	408,817	(86,544)
Income tax (benefit) expense	(4,935)	160,765	(35,348)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	$45,407	$248,052	$(51,196)

14. Litigation — Claims and Assessments:

On July 12, 1996, the Georgia Public Service Commission ("Georgia PSC") issued an order requiring that ALLTEL's wireline subsidiaries which operate within its jurisdiction reduce their annual network access charges by $24 million, prospectively, effective July 1, 1996. The Georgia PSC's action was in response to the Company's election to move from a rate-of-return method of pricing to an incentive rate structure, as permitted by a 1995 Georgia telecommunications law. The Company appealed the Georgia PSC order. On November 6, 1996, the Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia, (the "Superior Court") rendered its decision and reversed the Georgia PSC order, finding, among other matters, that the Georgia PSC had exceeded its authority by conducting a rate proceeding after the Company's election of alternative regulation.

The Superior Court did not rule on a number of other assertions made by the Company as grounds for reversal of the Georgia PSC order. The Georgia PSC appealed the Superior Court's decision, and on July 3, 1997, the Georgia Court of Appeals reversed the Superior Court's decision. On August 5, 1997, the Company filed a petition for writ of certiorari with the Georgia Supreme Court requesting that the Georgia Court of Appeals' decision be reversed. On October 5, 1998, the Georgia Supreme Court, in a 4-3 decision, upheld the Georgia Court of Appeals' ruling that the Georgia PSC had the authority to conduct the rate proceeding. The case was returned to the Superior Court for it to rule on the issues it had not previously decided. On April 6, 1999, the Superior Court found that with respect to the July 1996 order, the Georgia PSC did not provide ALLTEL with sufficient notice of the charges against the Company, did not provide ALLTEL a fair opportunity to present its case and respond to the charges, and failed to satisfy its burden of proving that ALLTEL's rates were unjust and unreasonable. Further, the Superior Court found that the July 1996 order was an unlawful attempt to retroactively reduce ALLTEL's rates and certain statutory revenue recoveries. For each of these independent reasons, the Superior Court vacated and reversed the July 1996 order and remanded the case with instructions to dismiss the case. The Georgia PSC appealed the Superior Court's April 1999 decision.

At December 31, 1999, the maximum possible liability to the Company related to this case is $84.0 million, plus interest at 7 percent accruing from July 1, 1996. Since the Company believes that it will prevail in this case, the Company has not implemented any revenue reductions or established any reserves for refund related to this matter at this time.

The Company is party to various other legal proceedings arising from the ordinary course of business. Although the ultimate resolution of these various proceedings cannot be determined at this time, management of the Company does not believe that such proceedings, individually or in the aggregate, will have a material adverse effect on the future results of operations or financial condition of the Company.

15. Subsequent Event — Exchange of Wireless Assets:

On January 31, 2000, ALLTEL, Bell Atlantic, GTE and Vodafone Airtouch signed agreements to exchange wireless properties in 13 states. Upon the closing of the transactions, Bell Atlantic and GTE will transfer to ALLTEL interests in 27 wireless markets in Alabama, Arizona, Florida, Ohio, New Mexico, Texas and South Carolina, representing about 14 million POPs and more than 1.5 million wireless customers. ALLTEL will transfer to Bell Atlantic or GTE interests in 42 wireless markets in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Nevada, New York and Pennsylvania, representing approximately 6.3 million POPs and more than 700,000 customers. ALLTEL will also transfer certain of its minority investments in unconsolidated wireless properties, representing approximately 2.6 million POPs. In addition to the transfer of wireless assets, ALLTEL will also pay approximately $600 million in cash. The transactions are valued at approximately $2.9 billion. ALLTEL will account for the acquisition as a purchase. Upon completion of the transactions, ALLTEL expects to recognize goodwill of approximately $1.0 billion and a pretax gain of $1.2 billion in its consolidated financial statements. Following the completion of the transactions, ALLTEL will have a total of 46 million cellular POPs and almost 5.8 million wireless customers. The companies expect to complete the transactions by mid-2000.

16. Business Segments:

ALLTEL disaggregates its business operations based upon differences in products and services. The Company's communications operations consist of its wireless, wireline and emerging businesses segments. Wireless communications and paging services are provided in 25 states in five major markets: Northern, Southeast, Mid-Atlantic, Central and Southwest. The Company's wireline subsidiaries provide primary local service and network access in 15 states. Emerging businesses include the Company's long-distance, local competitive access, Internet access, network management and PCS operations. Long-distance and Internet access services are marketed in 25 states. The Company is currently providing local competitive access, PCS and network management services in select areas within its geographically focused communications markets. Information services provides information processing, outsourcing services and application software primarily to financial and telecommunications customers. The principal markets for information services' products and services are commercial banks, financial institutions and telecommunications companies in the United States and major international markets. Other operations consist of the Company's product distribution and directory publishing operations. Corporate operations represent general corporate expenses, headquarters facilities and equipment, investments, goodwill and other non-recurring and unusual items not allocated to the segments.

The accounting policies used in measuring segment assets and operating results are the same as those described in Note 1. The non-recurring and unusual items discussed in Notes 9, 10 and 11 are not allocated to the segments and are included in corporate operations. The Company evaluates performance of the segments based on segment operating income, excluding non-recurring and unusual items. The Company accounts for intersegment sales at current market prices or in accordance with regulatory requirements.

Information about the Company's business segments was as follows for the year ended December 31, 1999:

(Thousands)	Communications: Wireless	Wireline	Emerging Businesses	Total	Information Services	Other Operations	Total Segments	Corporate Operations	Intercompany Eliminations	Consolidated Total
Revenues and sales from unaffiliated customers:										
Domestic	$2,743,251	$1,621,427	$269,825	$4,634,503	$822,049	$368,782	$5,825,334	$ —	$ —	$5,825,334
International	—	—	—	—	155,300	—	155,300	—	—	155,300
	2,743,251	1,621,427	269,825	4,634,503	977,349	368,782	5,980,634	—	—	5,980,634
Intersegment revenues and sales	—	56,030	10,425	66,455	268,154	211,036	545,645	—	(224,008)[A]	321,637
Total revenues and sales	2,743,251	1,677,457	280,250	4,700,958	1,245,503	579,818	6,526,279	—	(224,008)	6,302,271
Operating expenses	1,505,471	734,658	300,093	2,540,222	926,069	557,048	4,023,339	25,141	(224,008)[A]	3,824,472
Depreciation and amortization	351,302	323,735	27,398	702,435	144,118	1,209	847,762	14,410	—	862,172
Merger and integration expenses and other charges	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	90,520	—	90,520
Total costs and expenses	1,856,773	1,058,393	327,491	3,242,657	1,070,187	558,257	4,871,101	130,071	(224,008)	4,777,164
Operating income (loss)	886,478	619,064	(47,241)	1,458,301	175,316	21,561	1,655,178	(130,071)	—	1,525,107
Equity earnings in unconsolidated partnerships	105,025	—	—	105,025	—	—	105,025	—	—	105,025
Minority interest in consolidated partnerships	(116,647)	—	—	(116,647)	—	—	(116,647)	—	—	(116,647)
Other income, net	18,344	6,210	7,172	31,726	17,157	546	49,429	5,042	—	54,471
Total non-operating income, net	6,722	6,210	7,172	20,104	17,157	546	37,807	5,042	—	42,849
Interest expense	(174,782)	(67,138)	(25,067)	(266,987)	(9,664)	(1,412)	(278,063)	(2,112)	—	(280,175)
Gain on disposal of assets and other	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	43,071	—	43,071
Income (loss) before income taxes	718,418	558,136	(65,136)	1,211,418	182,809	20,695	1,414,922	(84,070)	—	1,330,852
Income tax expense (benefit)	303,997	204,717	(25,009)	483,705	75,184	8,014	566,903	(19,685)	—	547,218
Net income (loss)	$ 414,421	$ 353,419	$(40,127)	$ 727,713	$107,625	$ 12,681	$ 848,019	$ (64,385)	$ —	$ 783,634
Assets	$4,790,170	$3,171,539	$436,829	$8,398,538	$883,613	$259,370	$9,541,521	$1,351,664[B]	$(118,982)[C]	$10,774,203
Investments in unconsolidated partnerships	$ 490,773	$ —	$ —	$ 490,773	$ —	$ —	$ 490,773	$ —	$ —	$ 490,773
Capital expenditures	$ 350,668	$ 352,866	$118,322	$ 821,856	$ 94,665	$ 979	$ 917,500	$ 88,975	$ —	$ 1,006,475

Notes: A Elimination of intersegment revenues and sales. See "Transactions with Certain Affiliates" in Note 1 for a discussion of intersegment revenues and sales not eliminated in preparing the consolidated financial statements.
B Corporate assets consist of headquarters fixed assets ($216,767), investments ($1,019,580), goodwill ($102,068) and other assets ($13,249) not allocated to the segments.
C Elimination of intersegment receivables.

Information about the Company's business segments was as follows for the year ended December 31, 1998:

	Communications									
	Wireless	Wireline	Emerging Businesses	Total	Information Services	Other Operations	Total Segments	Corporate Operations	Intercompany Eliminations	Consolidated Total
Revenues and sales from external customers										
Domestic	$2,339,756	$1,448,817	$155,919	$3,944,492	$850,841	$338,115	$5,133,448	$ —	$ —	$5,133,448
International	—	—	—	—	154,300	—	154,300	—	—	154,300
	2,339,756	1,448,817	155,919	3,944,492	1,005,141	338,115	5,287,748	—	—	5,287,748
Intersegment revenues and sales	—	50,390	11,399	61,789	156,627	263,235	481,651	—	(142,604)[a]	339,047
Total revenues and sales	2,339,756	1,499,207	167,318	4,006,281	1,161,768	601,350	5,769,399	—	(142,604)	5,626,795
Operating expenses	1,345,568	679,109	191,108	2,215,785	860,385	573,685	3,649,855	12,068	(142,604)[a]	3,519,319
Depreciation and amortization	319,582	289,525	14,187	623,294	138,732	1,739	763,765	10,784	—	774,549
Merger and integration expenses and other charges	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	252,000	—	252,000
Write-down to reflect carrying value of certain assets	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	55,000	—	55,000
Total costs and expenses	1,665,150	968,634	205,295	2,839,079	999,117	575,424	4,413,620	329,852	(142,604)	4,600,868
Operating income (loss)	674,606	530,573	(37,977)	1,167,202	162,651	25,926	1,355,779	(329,852)	—	1,025,927
Equity earnings in unconsolidated partnerships	114,859	—	—	114,859	—	—	114,859	—	—	114,859
Minority interest in consolidated partnerships	(104,485)	—	—	(104,485)	—	—	(104,485)	—	—	(104,485)
Other income, net	29,570	10,506	2,861	42,937	10,646	235	53,818	465	—	54,283
Total non-operating income, net	39,944	10,506	2,861	53,311	10,646	235	64,192	465	—	64,657
Interest expense	(162,725)	(62,804)	(12,978)	(238,507)	(12,268)	(1,259)	(252,034)	(26,341)	—	(278,375)
Gain on disposal of assets and other	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	292,672	—	292,672
Income (loss) before income taxes	551,825	478,275	(48,094)	982,006	161,029	24,902	1,167,937	(63,056)	—	1,104,881
Income tax expense (benefit)	241,314	179,074	(18,562)	401,826	67,602	9,631	479,059	22,695	—	501,754
Net income (loss)	$ 310,511	$ 299,201	$ (29,532)	$ 580,180	$ 93,427	$ 15,271	$ 688,878	$ (85,751)	$ —	$ 603,127
Assets	$4,611,493	$3,079,993	$217,047	$7,908,533	$872,845	$179,850	$8,961,228	$1,258,385[b]	$ (64,159)[c]	$10,155,454
Investments in unconsolidated partnerships	$ 634,176	$ —	$ —	$ 634,176	$ —	$ —	$ 634,176	$ —	$ —	$ 634,176
Capital expenditures	$ 363,384	$ 319,145	$174,578	$ 857,107	$111,257	$ 1,489	$ 969,853	$ 28,151	$ —	$ 998,004

Notes: a. Elimination of intersegment revenues and sales. See "Transactions with Certain Affiliates" in Note 1 for a discussion of intersegment revenues and sales not eliminated in preparing the consolidated financial statements.

b. Corporate assets consist of headquarters fixed assets ($141,432), investments ($954,601), goodwill ($104,259) and other assets ($58,093) not allocated to the segments.

c. Elimination of intersegment receivables.

Information about the Company's business segments was as follows for the year ended December 31, 1997:

	Communications									
	Wireless	Wireline	Emerging Businesses	Total	Information Services	Other Operations	Total Segments	Corporate Operations	Intercompany Eliminations	Consolidated Total
Revenues and sales from unaffiliated customers: Domestic	$1,986,807	$1,371,203	$94,826	$3,452,836	$730,386	$355,605	$4,538,827	$ —	$ —	$4,538,827
International	—	—	—	—	114,918	—	114,918	—	—	114,918
	1,986,807	1,371,203	94,826	3,452,836	845,304	355,605	4,653,745	—	—	4,653,745
Intersegment revenues and sales	—	45,069	5,944	51,013	128,847	123,317	303,177	—	(49,964)[a]	253,213
Total revenues and sales	1,986,807	1,416,272	100,770	3,503,849	974,151	478,922	4,956,922	—	(49,964)	4,906,958
Operating expenses	1,188,922	631,608	112,890	1,933,420	716,907	454,922	3,105,249	6,512	(49,964)[a]	3,061,797
Depreciation and amortization	291,010	278,505	4,300	573,815	112,316	2,068	688,199	10,897	—	699,096
Provision to reduce carrying value of certain assets	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	16,874	—	16,874
Total costs and expenses	1,479,932	910,113	117,190	2,507,235	829,223	456,990	3,793,448	34,283	(49,964)	3,777,767
Operating income (loss)	506,875	506,159	(16,420)	996,614	144,928	21,932	1,163,474	(34,283)	—	1,129,191
Equity earnings in unconsolidated partnerships	92,087	—	—	92,087	—	—	92,087	—	—	92,087
Minority interest in consolidated partnerships	(87,966)	—	—	(87,966)	—	—	(87,966)	—	—	(87,966)
Other income, net	7,628	8,576	1,197	17,401	(1,152)	(21)	16,228	2,157	—	18,385
Total non-operating income, net	11,749	8,576	1,197	21,522	(1,152)	(21)	20,349	2,157	—	22,506
Interest expense	(158,710)	(62,614)	(3,587)	(224,911)	(12,330)	(782)	(238,023)	(36,894)	—	(274,917)
Gain on disposal of assets and other	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	209,651	—	209,651
Income before income taxes	359,914	452,121	(18,810)	793,225	131,446	21,129	945,800	140,631	—	1,086,431
Income tax expense (benefit)	142,988	166,498	(1,673)	307,813	55,400	7,530	370,743	63,207	—	433,950
Net income	$216,926	$285,623	$(17,137)	$485,412	$76,046	$13,599	$575,057	$77,424	$ —	$652,481
Assets	$4,317,819	$3,031,494	$92,979	$7,442,292	$809,242	$129,973	$8,381,507	$874,718[b]	$(24,218)[c]	$9,232,007
Investments in unconsolidated partnerships	$629,527	$ —	$ —	$629,527	$ —	$ —	$629,527	$ —	$ —	$629,527
Capital expenditures	$396,670	$308,076	$79,286	$784,032	$87,937	$1,620	$873,589	$26,134	$ —	$899,723

Notes: a Elimination of intersegment revenues and sales. See "Transactions with Certain Affiliates" in Note 1 for a discussion of intersegment revenues and sales not eliminated in preparing the consolidated financial statements.
b Corporate assets consist of headquarters fixed assets ($116,532), investments ($628,912), goodwill ($107,930) and other assets ($21,344) not allocated to the segments.
c Elimination of intersegment receivables.

[illegible] Financial Information — (Unaudited):

[illegible]	1999 Total	1999 4th	1999 3rd	1999 2nd	1999 1st	1998 Total	1998 4th	1998 3rd	1998 2nd	1998 1st
[illegible]	$6,302,271	$1,596,763	$1,628,395	$1,593,360	$1,483,753	$5,626,795	$1,487,028	$1,446,379	$1,414,093	$1,279,295
[illegible]	$1,525,107	$ 390,429	$ 338,507	$ 422,769	$ 373,402	$1,025,927	$ 335,603	$ 51,495	$ 337,655	$ 301,174
[illegible]	$ 783,634	$ 233,472	$ 150,349	$ 213,269	$ 186,544	$ 603,127	$ 174,082	$ (7,405)	$ 252,110	$ 184,340
[illegible]	889	215	215	227	232	1,248	228	239	485	296
[illegible]	$ 782,745	$ 233,257	$ 150,134	$ 213,042	$ 186,312	$ 601,879	$ 173,854	$ (7,644)	$ 251,625	$ 184,044
[illegible]										
[illegible]	$2.50	$.74	$.48	$.68	$.60	$1.97	$.57	$(.03)	$.82	$.60
[illegible]	$2.47	$.73	$.47	$.67	$.59	$1.95	$.56	$(.02)	$.82	$.60

[illegible] a. [illegible] the Company recorded a pretax gain of $43.1 million from the sale of a portion of its investment in MCI WorldCom common stock. [illegible] $27.2 million or $.08 per share. (See Note 11.)

b. [illegible] includes a pretax charge of $90.5 million in connection with the closing of the Company's mergers with Aliant, Liberty, KINI L.C., [illegible] loss contingencies and other restructuring activities. These charges decreased net income $66.0 million or $.21 per share. (See Note 9.)

c. [illegible] includes transaction costs and one-time charges totaling $252.0 million related to the closing of the merger with 360°. These transaction and [illegible] $201.0 million or $.66 per share. The Company also recorded a pretax charge of $55.0 million resulting from changes in a customer care and [illegible] customer. This charge decreased net income $33.6 million or $.11 per share. In addition, the Company recorded a pretax gain of $80.9 million from the [illegible] in MCI WorldCom common stock. This gain increased net income by $49.2 million or $.16 per share. (See Notes 9, 10 and 11.)

d. [illegible] includes a pretax gain of $148.2 million from the sale of a portion of the Company's investment in MCI WorldCom common stock. [illegible] fees of $3.5 million related to the early retirement of long-term debt. These transactions increased net income $88.1 million or [illegible] (See Note 11.)

e. [illegible] includes a pretax gain of $36.6 million primarily from the sale of a portion of the Company's investment in MCI WorldCom common stock. [illegible] a pretax gain of $30.5 million from the sale of its ownership interest in one unconsolidated partnership. These gains increased net income by [illegible] (See Note 11.)

f. [illegible] all adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of results for each period have been included.

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Common Stock Price and Dividend Information
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Market Price

Year	Qtr	High	Low	Close	Dividend Declared
1999	4th	91 [illegible]	69 [illegible]	82 [illegible]	$.320
	3rd	75	65 [illegible]	70 [illegible]	.305
	2nd	74 [illegible]	62 [illegible]	71 [illegible]	.305
	1st	67 [illegible]	56 [illegible]	62 [illegible]	.305
1998	4th	61 [illegible]	44	59 [illegible]	$.305
	3rd	48	38 [illegible]	47 [illegible]	.290
	2nd	46 [illegible]	39 [illegible]	46 [illegible]	.290
	1st	45 [illegible]	39 [illegible]	43 [illegible]	.290

The common stock is listed and traded on the New York and Pacific stock exchanges. The above table reflects the range of high, low and closing prices as reported by Dow Jones & Company, Inc.

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Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan
ALLTEL offers a Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan for registered common stockholders. In addition to reinvesting dividends, the plan allows participants to invest cash toward the purchase of ALLTEL common stock. Additional information about dividend reinvestment may be obtained from the Agent, First Union National Bank.

Electronic Dividend Deposit
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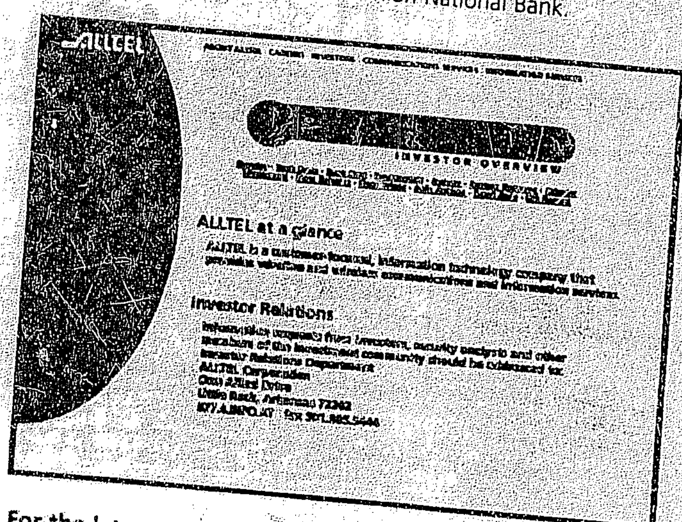

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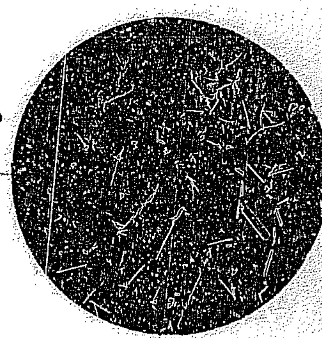
ATTACHMENT 5
Tariff

ATTACHMENT 6
Sales Brochure

(Please note: Brochures specific to South Dakota have not been developed yet. The brochure attached is illustrative, and therefore the rates are illustrative also. Actual promotional material will reflect tariffed rates on file with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission.)

The power to sfy.

With ALLTEL,
it's right in your hands.

Confusing competing offers. Hidden charges. Wasn't long distance supposed to be simple?

Well, we think so. That's why we give you straight-forward plans with great national, international and calling card rates, all from a company that's been in the communications business for years.

So take a minute and look over the plans. Then pick the one that best fits your calling needs. It's that simple.

7¢

7¢ per minute state-to-state calls
$5.00 per month*
10¢ per minute in-state calls
25¢ per minute calling card
w/no surcharge or monthly fee

Evening Value Plan

10¢/20¢

10¢ per minute 6 p.m. - 8 a.m.
20¢ per minute 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
25¢ per minute calling card rate
w/no surcharge or monthly fee

Same rates will apply for state-to-state calling and IntraLATA/in-state calling.

Flexible Value Plan

15¢

15¢ per minute/any time
35¢ per minute calling card
w/no surcharge or monthly fee

Same rates will apply for state-to-state calling and IntraLATA/in-state calling.

**$3 per month for customers with $24.95 wireless package or higher.*
A $.35 surcharge will apply to all pay phone calls. The rates listed above do not apply to International calling.

To sign up, visit the ALLTEL store nearest you or call 1-888-9ALLTEL.

ATTACHMENT 5
Tariff

ATTACHMENT 6
Sales Brochure

(Please note: Brochures specific to South Dakota have not been developed yet. The brochure attached is illustrative, and therefore the rates are illustrative also. Actual promotional material will reflect tariffed rates on file with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission.)

REGULATIONS AND SCHEDULE OF CHARGES APPLYING TO INTRASTATE LONG DISTANCE MESSAGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE BETWEEN POINTS IN THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA.

Intrastate Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service
is furnished by means of wire, radio, satellite
or any other suitable technology or combination thereof.

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EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS

C - to signify a changed regulation.

D - to signify a discontinued rate or regulation.

I - to signify a rate increase.

M - to signify matter relocated without change.

N - to signify a new rate or regulation.

R - to signify a rate reduction.

S - to signify reissued matter.

T - to signify a change in text but no change in rate of regulation.

X - to signify a waiver of F.C.C.'s Rules.

Y - to signify reference to other published tariffs.

Z - to signify a correction.

1. Application of Tariff

This tariff contains the regulations and rates applicable to the provision of Intrastate Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service ("LDMTS") as defined herein, by ALLTEL Communications, Inc. (the "Company"), from its Points of Presence to other points in the State of South Dakota. Service is furnished subject to the availability of facilities and subject to transmission, atmospheric, and like conditions.

2. Definitions

Certain terms used generally throughout this tariff are defined below:

Access Code - A sequence of numbers that, when dialed, connect the caller to the provider of services associated with that sequence.

Authorization Code - A numerical code, one or more of which may be assigned to a Customer, to enable the Company to identify the origin of the service used so that the Company may rate and bill the call. All Authorization Codes shall be the sole property of the Company and no Customer shall have any property or other right or interest in the use of any particular Authorization Code. Automatic Numbering Identification ("ANI") may be used as or in connection with the Authorization Code.

Billed Party - The person or entity responsible for payment for use of the Company's services. For a Direct Dialed Call, the person or entity responsible for payment is the Customer responsible for payment for local telephone service at the telephone used to originate the call. In the case of a credit card call, the person or entity responsible for payment is the person to whom it is issued and the holder of the credit card used. In the case of third party call, the person or entity responsible for payment is the person responsible for payment for local telephone service at the telephone number that agrees to accept charges for the call. In the case of a Room Charge Call, the entity responsible for payment is the Aggregator controlling the telephone used to originate the call. In the case of all Operator Assisted Calls not involving credit cards, third party calls or Room Charge Calls, the person or entity responsible for payment is the Customer responsible for payment for local telephone service at the telephone used to originate the call.

2. Definitions (Cont'd)

Central Office - A Local Exchange Carrier switching system where Local Exchange Carrier customer station loops are terminated for purposes of interconnection to each other and to trunks.

Channel - A path for electrical transmission between two or more points, the path having a band width designed to carry voice grade transmission.

Commission - The South Dakota Public Utilities Commission.

Common Carrier - A company or entity providing telecommunications services to the public.

Credit Card Call - A Direct Dialed or Operator Assisted Call for which charges are billed not to the originating telephone number, but to a credit card, such as Visa or MasterCard, or to a LEC or interexchange carrier calling card.

Customer - The person, partnership, association, joint stock company, trust, corporation, governmental entity or other entity, that is responsible for payment of charges and for compliance with this tariff.

Customer - Provided Facilities - All communications facilities provided by the Customer and/or Authorized User other than those provided by the Company.

Exchange - A unit established by the Local Exchange Carrier for the administration of communications service in a specified area which usually embraces a city, town or village and its environments. It consists of one or more Central Offices together with the associated facilities used in furnishing communications service within that area.

Direct Dialed Call - A telephone call which is automatically completed and billed to the telephone number from which the call originated without the automatic or live assistance of an operator. This includes calls forwarded by call forwarding equipment.

FCC - Federal Communications Commission

2. Definitions (Cont'd)

Local Exchange Carrier (LEC) - A telephone company which provides local telephone service to Customers within a defined exchange.

Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service - The furnishing of direct dialed and operator assisted switched services to the Customer for the completion of long distance voice and dial-up low speed data transmissions over voice grade channels from the Company's Points of Presence to points as specified herein.

Other Common Carrier - A common carrier, other than the Company, providing domestic or international communications service to the public.

Personal Identification Numbers (PINS) - Code numbers used in connection with designated telephone numbers which allow calls to be categorized for various applications.

Points of Presence - The sites where the Company provides a network interface with facilities provided by Other Common Carriers, Local Exchange Carriers or Customers for access to the Company's network.

Premises - A building or buildings on contiguous property (except railroad rights-of-way, etc.) not separated by a public street or highway.

Services - Telecommunications services provided to a Customer or Authorized User by the Company.

Telecommunications - The transmission of voice communications or, subject to the transmission capabilities of the Service, the transmission of data, facsimile, signaling, metering or any other form of intelligence.

Travel Card - A billing mechanism which enables a subscriber or customer to access the services of the carrier while away from home or office.

3. General Regulations

3.1 Service Description

Intrastate Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service ("LDMTS") is offered to residential and business Customers of the Company to provide direct dialed calls placed between points in the United States. The Company provides switchless long distance network services for voice grade and low speed dial-up data transmission services. The Company does not undertake to transmit messages but furnishes the use of its services to its Customers for communications. All services are provided subject to the terms and conditions set out in this tariff.

3.2 Interconnection with Other Common Carriers

The Company reserves the right to interconnect its services with those of any Other Common Carrier, Local Exchange Carrier, or alternate access provider of its election, and to utilize such services concurrently with its own services for the provision of services offered herein.

3.3 Availability of Services

3.3.1 Services are furnished subject to the availability of the Service components required. The Company will: (1) determine which of those components shall be used and (2) make modifications to those components at its option.

3.3.2 Services are available twenty-four hours per day, seven days per week.

3. General Regulations (Cont'd)

3.4 Use of Services

3.4.1 The Company's Services may be used for any lawful purpose consistent with the transmission parameters of the telecommunications facilities utilized in the provision of the Services. All such usage shall be subject to the provisions of this tariff and the applicable rules, regulations and policies of the Public Utilities Commission. Customers and Authorized Users are prohibited from using, and by their acceptance or use of Service agree not to use, the Services furnished by the Company for any unlawful purpose or for any purpose prohibited under the provisions of any regulatory order.

3.4.2 The use of the Company's Services to make calls which might reasonably be expected to frighten, abuse, torment or harass another, or in such a way as to unreasonably interfere with use by others, is prohibited.

3.4.3 The use of the Company's Services without payment for Service, and all attempts to avoid payment for Service by, for example, fraudulent means or devices, schemes, false or invalid numbers or false calling or credit cards, are prohibited.

3.5 Undertaking of the Company

The Company undertakes to provide Intrastate Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in this tariff.

3.6 Liability of the Company

3.6.1 Except as stated in this Section 3.6, the Company shall have no liability for damages of any kind arising out of or related to events, acts, rights or privileges contemplated in this tariff.

3.6.2 The liability of the Company, if any, for damages resulting in whole or in part from or arising in connection with the furnishing of Service under this tariff (including but not limited to mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, errors or other defects in transmission, or failures or defects in facilities furnished by the Company) or arising out of any failure to furnish Service, shall in no event exceed an amount of money equivalent to the proportionate charge to Customer for the period of service during which such mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays or errors or defects in transmission occur and continue. However, any such mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, errors, or defects in transmission or service which are caused by or contributed to by the negligence or willful act or omission of Customer, or which arise from the use of Customer-provided facilities or equipment, shall not result in the imposition of any liability whatsoever upon the Company.

3.6.3 The Company is not liable for any act, omission or negligence of any Local Exchange Carrier or other provider whose facilities are used concurrently in furnishing any portion of the services received by Customer, or for the unavailability of or any delays in the furnishing of any services or facilities which are provided by any Local Exchange Carrier. Should the Company employ the service of any Other Common Carrier in furnishing the services provided to Customer, the Company's liability shall be limited according to the provisions of Section 3.6.2 above.

3.6.4. No agents or employees of connecting, concurring or other participating carriers or Company shall be deemed to be agents or employees of the Company without written authorization.

3. General Regulations (Cont'd)

3.6 Liability of the Company (Cont'd)

3.6.5 The Company shall not be liable for any damages, including usage charges, that the Customer may incur as a result of the unauthorized use of its communications equipment. The unauthorized use of the Customer's communications equipment includes, but is not limited to, the placement of calls from the Customer's premises and the placement of calls through Customer-controlled or Customer-provisioned equipment that are transmitted or carried over the Company's network services without the authorization of the Customer. The Customer shall be fully liable for all such charges.

3.6.6 The Company shall not be liable for any failure of performance hereunder due to causes beyond its control, including but not limited to fire, flood, or other catastrophes; Acts of God; atmospheric conditions or other phenomena of nature, such as radiation; any law, regulation, directive, order or request of the United States Government, or any other government including state and local governments having any jurisdiction over the Company or the services provided hereunder; national emergencies; civil disorder, insurrections, riots, wars, strikes, lockouts, work stoppages, or other labor problems or regulations established or actions taken by any court or government agency having jurisdiction over the Company.

3.6.7 The Company shall not be liable for any act or omission of any other entity furnishing to the Customer Facilities or equipment used with the service furnished hereunder; nor shall the Company be liable for any damages or losses due in whole or in part to the fault or negligence of the Customer or due in whole or in part to the failure of Customer-provided equipment or facilities.

3. General Regulations (Cont'd)

3.6 Liability of the Company (Cont'd)

3.6.8 The Company shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Customer and Authorized User from and against all loss, liability, damage, and expense, including reasonable attorney's fees, due to claims for libel, slander, or infringement of copyright or trademark in connection with any material transmitted by any person using the Company's Services and any other claim resulting from any act or omission of the Customer or Authorized User relating to the use of the Company's facilities.

3.6.9 Under no circumstances whatever shall the Company or its officers, directors, agents, or employees be liable for indirect, incidental, special or consequential damages.

3.7 Assignment

Customer shall not assign or transfer the use of the Company's Services except with the prior written consent of the Company in each and every instance. Consent to such assignment or transfer will not be unreasonably withheld.

3.8 Responsibilities of the Customer

3.8.1 The Customer is responsible for placing any necessary orders; for complying with tariff regulations; and for ensuring that Authorized Users comply with tariff regulations. The Customer is also responsible for the payment of charges for calls originated at the Customer's premises which are not collect, third party, or credit card calls.

3.8.2 The Customer must pay for the loss through theft of any of the Company's LDMTS services.

3. General Regulations (Cont'd)

3.9 Cancellation or Interruption of Services

3.9.1 Upon ten (10) days' written notice and without incurring liability, the Company may discontinue Services to a Customer or to a particular Customer location, or may withhold the provision of ordered or contracted Services under the following conditions provided that the Customer shall be allowed a reasonable time in which to comply with the rule before service is disconnected:

(a) For nonpayment of any sum due to Company for more than thirty (30) days after issuance of the bill of the amount due provided that the telephone utility has made a reasonable attempt to effect collection and has given the Customer written notice that he has five (5) days in which to make settlement on his account or have his service disconnected;

(b) For violation of any of the provisions of this tariff;

(c) For violation of any law, rule, regulation, or policy of any governing authority having jurisdiction over the Company's Services; or

(d) By reason of any order or decision of a court having competent jurisdiction, public service commission or federal regulatory body or other governing authority prohibiting the Company from furnishing its Services.

(e) For the Customer tampering with equipment furnished and owned by the Company.

(f) For failure of the Customer to permit the Company reasonable access to its equipment.

(g) Where there is probable cause to believe that there is illegal or willful misuse of the Company's service.

3. General Regulations (Cont'd)

3.9 Cancellation or Interruption of Services (Cont'd)

3.9.2 The Company may discontinue Services to a Customer or to a particular Customer location, or may withhold the provision of ordered or contracted Services under the following conditions:

(a) In the event of a condition determined by the Company to be hazardous or dangerous.

(b) In the event of Customer use of equipment in such a manner as to adversely affect the Company's service to others.

(c) In the event of unauthorized use of telephone service.

3.9.3 Service may be discontinued by the Company, without notice to the Customer, by blocking traffic to certain points, or by blocking calls using certain Customer Authorization Codes, when the Company deems it necessary to take action to prevent unlawful use of its Service. The Company may restore service as soon as it can be provided without undue risk.

3.9.4 If, for any reason, Service is interrupted, the Customer will be charged only for the Service that was actually used.

3.9.5 Service will be terminated only on Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00AM and 4:00PM, unless provisions have been made to have someone available to accept payment and reconnect service.

3.9.6 Without incurring liability, the Company may interrupt the provision of Services at any time in order to perform tests and inspections to assure compliance with tariff regulations and the proper installation and operation of the Customer's and/or the Company's equipment and facilities, and may continue such interruption until any items of noncompliance or improper equipment operation so identified are rectified.

3. General Regulations (Cont'd)

3.9 Cancellation or Interruption of Services (Cont'd)

3.9.7 The Company will promptly honor a verbal or written Customer request for cancellation of service.

3.10 Calculation of Distance

All measured usage charges are based on the airline distance between rate centers associated with the originating and terminating points of the call.

3.11 Customer Service and Complaint Resolution

(a) The Company's toll-free customer service telephone number is (888) 360-0360. The Customer may also contact the Company by mail at 8725 West Higgins Road, Chicago, IL 60631. The Company's customer service manager is Karen Roston.

(b) The Company will handle all Customer complaints courteously and promptly. The Company will fully investigate and attempt to resolve Customer complaints in a timely manner and in full compliance with all Commission rules and regulations. In addition, the Company will notify all Customers making a complaint that the telephone utility is under the jurisdiction of the Commission and that the Customer may wish to contact the Commission about the complaint. The Commission's address and telephone numbers are:

South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
State Capitol Building
500 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

Telephone: (605) 773-3201
Telephone: (800) 332-1782
Telephone: (800) 877-1113 (TDD)

4 Payment and Credit Regulations

4.1 Billing and Collection of Charges

Charges are due when billed, and are billed and collected by the Company or its authorized agent, or the connecting Company from whose service point the messages were sent paid or at whose service point the messages were received collect. The Company will not bill for incomplete calls.

4.2 Payment for Service

The Customer is responsible for payment of all charges for Services, including charges for Services originated or charges accepted at the Customers' Service point.

4.2.1 Charges for third party calls which are charged to a domestic telephone number will be included on the Billed Party's local exchange telephone company bill pursuant to billing and collection agreements established by the Company or its intermediary with the applicable telephone company.

4.2.2 Charges for credit card calls will be included on the Billed Party's regular monthly statement from the card issuing company or will be included on the Billed Party's local exchange telephone company bill.

4.2.3 Any applicable federal, state and local use, excise, sales or privilege taxes or similar liabilities chargeable to or against the Company as a result of the provision of the Company's services hereunder to Customer shall be charged to and payable by Customer in addition to the rates indicated in this tariff.

4.2.4 The Customer shall remit payment of all charges in the return envelope supplied with the bill or to any agency authorized by the Company to receive such payment.

4.2.5 If the bill is not paid within thirty (30) calendar days following the mailing of the bill, the account will be considered delinquent.

4. Payment and Credit Regulations (Cont'd)

4.2 Payment for Service (Cont'd)

4.2.6 A delinquent account may subject the Customer's Service to temporary disconnection. The Company is responsible for notifying the Customer at least ten (10) days before Service is disconnected.

4.2.7 Failure to receive a bill which has been sent will not exempt a Customer from prompt payment of any sum or sums due the Company.

4.2.8 In the event the Company must employ the services of attorneys for collection of charges due under this tariff or under any contract for special services, Customer shall be liable for all costs of collection, including reasonable attorney's fees.

4.3 Deposits and Advance Payments

The Company does not collect deposits or advance payments from its Customers.

4. Payment and Credit Regulations (Cont'd)

4.4 Billing Entity Conditions

When billing functions on behalf of the Company are performed by local exchange telephone companies, credit card companies or others, the payment conditions and regulations of such companies apply, including any applicable interest and/or late payment charges. In the case of any disputed charges which cannot be resolved by the billing company, the Billed Party may contact the Company directly. If there is still a disagreement about the disputed amount after investigation and review by the Company or other service provider, the Billed Party may file an appropriate complaint with the Public Utilities Commission.

4.5 Denial of Access to Service by the Company

The Company expressly retains the right to immediately deny access to its Services without incurring any liability for any of the following reasons:

(a) Nonpayment of any sum due for service provided hereunder, where Customer's charges remain unpaid more than ten (10) days following notice of nonpayment from the Company. Notice shall be deemed to be effective upon mailing of written notice, postage prepaid, to Customer's last known address;

(b) Customer's acts or omissions which constitute a violation of, or a failure to comply with, any regulation stated in this tariff governing the furnishing of service, but which violation or failure to comply does not constitute a material breach or does not pose any actual or threatened interference to the Company's operations or its furnishing of services. The Company agrees to give Customer ten (10) days notice of such violation or failure to comply prior to service; or

(c) The implementation of any order of a court of competent jurisdiction, or federal or state regulatory authority of competent jurisdiction, prohibiting the Company from furnishing such service; or

4 Payment and Credit Regulations (Cont'd)

4.5 Denial of Access to Service by the Company (Cont'd)

(d) Where Customer has failed or neglected to tender any additional or required security deposit within ten (10) days of demand by the Company.

4.6 Customer's Liability in the Event of Denial of Access to Service by the Company

In the event Customer's service is disconnected by the Company for any of the reasons stated in Section 4.5, Customer shall be liable for all unpaid charges due and owing to the Company associated with the service. Customer's deposit and accrued interest shall be applied to all cancellation charges applicable to the service offering received by Customer.

4.7 Reinstitution of Service

If Customer seeks reinstitution of service following denial of service by the Company, Customer shall pay to the Company prior to the time service is reinstituted: (1) all accrued and unpaid charges, and (2) a deposit per section 4.3 in order to reinstitute service.

4.8 Right to Backbill for Improper Use of the Company's Services

Any person or entity which uses, appropriates or secures the use of services from the Company, whether directly or indirectly, in any unlawful manner or through the providing of any misleading or false information to the Company and which use, appropriation, or securing of services is inconsistent with the stated uses, intents, and purposes of this tariff or any restrictions, conditions, and limitations stated herein, shall be liable for an amount equal to the accrued and unpaid charges that would have been applicable to the use of the Company's services actually made by Customer.

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4. Payment and Credit Regulations (Cont'd)

4.9 Disconnection and Reconnection Fees

Whenever telephone service is denied or discontinued for violation of the Commission's rules and regulations, non-payment of bills, or fraudulent use of service, the Company may charge a fee not to exceed $20.00 to disconnect and/or reconnect service.

5. Rates for Service

5.1 Types of Offerings

5.1.1 Description of Services

The following Direct Dialed Intrastate Long Distance Message Telecommunications Services are available at the rates listed in 5.2:

(a) Direct-Dialed LDMTS is a presubscribed switched access service, offering users outbound "1 plus" interexchange long distance telecommunications services from points originating and terminating throughout the State of South Dakota. Access may be provided by the Company, or the Customer may utilize local exchange Company access.

(b) Residential 800/888 Service is a presubscribed switched access service, offering users inbound, toll free long distance telecommunications services from points originating and terminating within the State of South Dakota. This service enables the caller to contact the Customer toll free, through the use of a special "800" or "888" number. Access may be provided by the Company, or the Customer may utilize local exchange Company access.

(c) Calling Card Service enables subscribers to place calls from locations other than their presubscribed call locations. Subscribers are billed on a monthly basis at the Company's tariffed rates.

5. Rates for Service (Cont'd)

5.1.1 Description of Services (Cont'd)

(c) Directory Assistance is provided by ALLTEL Communications, Inc.'s underlying carrier to subscribers of record. The Customer may access the underlying carrier's Directory Assistance by dialing the area code plus 555-1212. The Customer will be billed for such service by ALLTEL Communications, Inc.

5.1.2 Determination of Duration

(a) For Direct Dialed calls, chargeable time begins when the connection is established between the calling station and the desired telephone.

(b) Chargeable time ends when the connection is terminated.

(c) Chargeable time does not include the time lost because of faults or defects in the service.

5.1.3 Determination of Time of Day

(a) Peak, and Off Peak periods are determined by the local time of the location of the rate center of the calling service point. A rate period (e.g. 6:30AM-6:30PM) begins with the first stated hour (6:30AM) and continues to, but does not include, the second stated hour (6:30PM). Calls originating in one time period and terminating in another will be billed at the rate applicable for each period.

5. Rates for Service (Cont'd)

5.1.3 Determination of Time of Day (Cont'd)

(b) The Off Peak rate applies to the holidays listed below unless a lower rate period is in effect.

- New Year's Day
- Memorial Day
- Independence Day
- Labor Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Christmas Day

5.1.4 Calculation of Billable Time for Service

The charge for each call is equal to the Company's applicable rate for the Initial Period of the call, plus the Company's applicable rate for each Additional Period of the duration of the call.

5.1.5 Initial Period

The initial period for Direct-Dialed calls is one (1) minute, or fraction thereof.

5.1.6 Additional Periods

Each additional period for Direct-Dialed calls is one (1) minute, or fraction thereof.

5.2 Rate Schedules

5.2.1 Direct Dialed LDMTS Rates

Peak, Per Minute Rate	$.20
Off Peak, Per Minute Rate	$.15

5. Rates for Service (Cont'd)

5.2 Rate Schedules (Cont'd)

5.2.2 Residential 800/888 Service

Per Minute Rate	$.25
Monthly Maintenance Fee	$2.50

5.2.3 Calling Card Service

Peak, Per Minute Rate	$.20
Off-Peak, Per Minute Rate	$.15

5.2.4 Directory Assistance

Rate Per Access	$.85

5.3 Prepaid Card Services

5.3.1 ALLTEL Prepaid Card

ALLTEL Prepaid Card Service provides an outbound voice grade communications service for calls charged to an ALLTEL Prepaid Card.

5.3.1.A Exclusions

The following types of calls may not be completed with the ALLTEL Prepaid Card Service:

Calls to 500 Numbers
Calls to 700 Numbers
Calls to 800 Numbers
Calls to 900 Numbers
Directory Assistance Calls
All Operator Service Calls
Busy-Line Verification and Interrupt Services

Unless stated otherwise herein, ALLTEL Prepaid Cards may not be included on any ALLTEL Calling Plans.

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5. Rates for Service (Cont'd)

5.3 Prepaid Card Services (Cont'd)

5.3.1 ALLTEL Prepaid Card (Cont'd)

5.3.1.B Availability of Service

ALLTEL Prepaid Card Service is available twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. The availability of such cards are subject to technical limitations and will be offered on a first come, first service basis.

5.3.2 ALLTEL Prepaid Card Service Regulations

5.3.2.A The ALLTEL Prepaid Calling Card Service is accessed using the ALLTEL toll-free number printed on the card.

5.3.2.B A Customer's call will be interrupted with an announcement when the balance is about to be depleted.

5.3.2.C All calls must be charged against an ALLTEL Prepaid Card that has a sufficient available balance.

5.3.2.D Calls in progress will be terminated by the Company if the balance of the Prepaid Card is insufficient to continue the call.

5.3.2.E The Customer shall not indicate or suggest to any other party, including the Customer's own subscribers if any, that any business relationship exists between the Customer, its agents, distributors, or subscribers and ALLTEL, except that the customer may inform its subscribers that calls placed using the ALLTEL Prepaid Card account number will be carried over the ALLTEL network. The Customer is NOT granted any rights whatsoever in the trade names or logos of ALLTEL or any of its corporate affiliates and the Customer is granted no right to modify the physical appearance of the ALLTEL Prepaid Card. Customers who desire to produce their own version of the card used to charge ALLTEL Prepaid Card Service shall be provided only with the ALLTEL Prepaid Card Service account numbers.

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5. Rates for Service (Cont'd)

5.3 Prepaid Card Services (Cont'd)

5.3.3 Rates and Charges

5.3.3.A ALLTEL Prepaid Cards are available in various denominations of units as specified by the Company. This price is inclusive of all taxes. Prepaid Cards will be sold at prices rounded to the nearest cent.

Domestic Denominations	Price Per Unit
All Units	$.15

Cards will be decremented by one unit for each minute or fractional part of a minute for interstate and intrastate calls. These rates apply twenty-four hours per day, seven days per week.

5.4 Rate Period Chart refer to Section 5.1.3 (a) for Time of Day Determination criteria.

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sunday
6:30AM to 6:30PM	PEAK PERIOD					OFF PEAK PERIOD	
6:30PM to 6:30AM	OFF PEAK PERIOD						

5. Rates for Service (Cont'd)

5.5 Promotional Activities

ALLTEL Communications, Inc. may upon occasion offer various promotional/savings opportunities to Customers. These promotional offerings may apply to certain services and may be limited to certain dates, times, and locations. Such promotional offerings will be filed with the Commission and are subject to prior Commission approval.

6. Specialized Services, Rates and Regulations

6.1 Business Circle Plan allows Customers to select a month to month plan, a six (6) month plan, or an eighteen (18) month plan. A Business Circle Customer selecting a term commits to a minimum monthly usage as depicted below. This minimum usage threshold applies to every billing period during the term and is paid regardless of the Customer's amount of usage during other periods. Customers selecting a term may change plans or terminate the service if the Customer provides written notice within ninety (90) days of the initiation of service. Business Circle Customers that do not provide such written notification within the required time period are obligated to the Company for the minimum monthly commitment for the remaining time period left in the term. The following is a list of contract term lengths and associated rates per minute. The per minute rates are effective all times of the day.

6. Specialized Services, Rates and Regulations (Cont'd)

6.1.A. Business Circle Plan Rates Per Minute

Month to Month Time Commitment:

Usage Per Month	1Plus/Outgoing	1-8XX/Incoming	Calling Card
$0 - $99	$0.160	$0.135	$0.250
$100 - $499	$0.155	$0.130	$0.250
$500 - $2,499	$0.150	$0.125	$0.250
$2,500 +	$0.145	$0.120	$0.250

Six (6) Month Time Commitment:

Usage Per Month	1Plus/Outgoing	1-8XX/Incoming	Calling Card
$100 - $499	$0.140	$0.120	$0.250
$500 - $2,499	$0.140	$0.115	$0.250
$2,500 +	$0.140	$0.110	$0.250

Eighteen (18) Month Time Commitment:

Usage Per Month	1Plus/Outgoing	1-8XX/Incoming	Calling Card
$100 - $499	$0.130	$0.110	$0.200
$500 - $2,499	$0.130	$0.105	$0.200
$2,500 +	$0.130	$0.100	$0.200

* A $5.00 monthly fee will be added for each 8XX number.
* All calls are billed in six (6) second increments with a thirty (30) second minimum.

VERIFICATION OF APPLICANT

STATE OF ARKANSAS)
COUNTY OF PULASKI) ss.
)

I, Steve Mowery, being first duly sworn and deposed, state that I am Vice President of State Government Affairs and an officer of ALLTEL Communications, Inc., and 360° Long Distance, Inc., that I have read the foregoing Application and know the contents thereof, and as to those matters that are therein stated on information or belief, I believe them to be true.

Steve Mowery

Steve Mowery
Vice President - State Government Affairs

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12th day of October, 2000.

Sandra Jean Wood
Notary Public in and for the State of Arkansas,

residing at: One Allied Drive
Little Rock, AR 72202

My Commission Expires: September 1, 2001

SANDRA JEAN WOOD
NOTARY PUBLIC
PULASKI COUNTY, ARK.

South Dakota
Public Utilities Commission

State Capitol Building, 500 East Capitol Avenue, Pierre, South Dakota 57501-5070

VIA FAX: 501-905-5679

November 21, 2000

Mr. Bob Priebe
ALLTEL Communications, Inc.
P. O. Box 2177
Little Rock, AR 72202

RE: APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY
ALLTEL Communications, Inc.

Dear Mr. Priebe:

We received your Application for a Certificate of Authority to operate as a interexchange telecommunications company in the state of South Dakota Pursuant to SDCL 49-31-3, telecommunication companies shall submit a $250 application fee when filing:

> **SDCL 49-31-3. Each telecommunications company that plans to offer or provide interexchange telecommunications service shall file an application for a certificate of authority with the commission pursuant to this section. Telecommunications companies seeking to provide any local exchange service shall submit an application for certification by the commission pursuant to §§ 49-31-1 through 49-31-89. Applications required by this section shall be filed by the company no less than sixty days before its initiation of telecommunications service in this state. The commission shall have the exclusive authority to grant a certificate of authority. Each telecommunications company shall submit a two hundred fifty dollar application fee with its application which shall be deposited into the gross receipts tax fund established pursuant to § 49-1A-2.**

We cannot take any action on your application until we receive the applicable fee.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Delaine Kolbo

Delaine Kolbo
Legal Secretary

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SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC
UTILITIES COMMISSION

December 1, 2000

Mr. William Bullard, Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
Capitol Building, 1st floor
500 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

Re: ALLTEL Communications, Inc. – Application for Registration as a Provider of Resold Intrastate Telecommunications Services

Enclosed is a check for $250 for the application fee for our Application for Registration as a Provider of Resold Intrastate Telecommunications Services, which was submitted on November 17, 2000.

If you have any questions, please call me at 501-905-8144.

Sincerely,

Bob Priebe

cc: Delaine Kolbo

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Check # [illegible] Check Date 11/29/00 Vendor # 1347954 Amount $250.00

SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES
COMMISSION
DELAINE KOLBO
500 E CAPITOL AVE
PIERRE SD 57501

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Invoice Date	Invoice Number	Description	Net Amount
11/28/00	CKRQ11800	FILING FEE-ACI APPLICATION	$250.00
		ALLTEL CORPORATION LITTLE ROCK, AR 72203	$250.00

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ALLTEL CORPORATION
ONE ALLIED DRIVE, P.O. BOX 2177, LITTLE ROCK, AR 72203

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PIERRE SD 57501

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John M. Mueller

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South Dakota Public Utilities Commission

WEEKLY FILINGS

For the Period of November 30, 2000 through December 6, 2000

If you need a complete copy of a filing faxed, overnight expressed, or mailed to you, please contact Delain Kolbo within five business days of this filing. Phone: 605-773-3705 Fax: 605-773-3809

CONSUMER COMPLAINTS

CT00-111 In the Matter of the Complaint filed by Terry Hoffmann, Flandreau, South Dakota against MCI WorldCom and Ionex Communications North, Inc. Regarding Unauthorized Switching of Services.

The Complainant alleges that his long distance service was switched without authorization. He seeks "civil penalty according to South Dakota Codified laws."

Staff Analyst: Leni Healy
Staff Attorney: Kelly Frazier
Date Docketed: 12/06/00
Intervention Deadline: N/A

CT00-112 In the Matter of the Complaint filed by Mike Mattern, Aberdeen, South Dakota, against McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc. Regarding Poor Service.

The complainant alleges McLeodUSA was contacted on November 13, 2000 to report a phone outage and the phone line was not repaired until November 17, 2000. The complainant alleges the severity and urgency of his request for repairs went unheeded. He reports that being without phone service for almost five days had impacted his business revenue. The complainant is seeking monetary and punitive damages for the amount of $4890.00 for the period of time without phone service.

Staff Analyst: Charlene Lund
Staff Attorney: Kelly Frazier
Date Docketed: 12/06/00
Intervention Deadline: N/A

ELECTRIC

EL00-034 In the Matter of the Filing by NorthWestern Public Service Company for Approval of a Bill Crediting Mechanism for Yankton Sioux Tribe Members.

An application by NorthWestern Public Service was filed with the Commission for approval of a Bill Crediting Program which would reflect an adjustment to normal NorthWestern Public Service Rates for preference power committed to the Yankton Sioux Tribe by Western Area Power Administration. As a result of reallocations of Western Area Power Administration preference power, low cost power is being made available to several Indian Tribes. The proposed credit adjustment mechanism would allow members of the Yankton Sioux Tribe to realize the savings of this low cost power.

Staff Analyst: Dave Jacobson
Staff Attorney: Kelly Frazier.
Date Docketed: 12/6/00
Intervention Deadline: 12/22/00

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

TC00-197 In the Matter of the Filing for Approval of an Opt-In Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation and Maxcess, Inc.

An Opt-In Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation (Qwest) and Maxcess, Inc. (Maxcess) was filed with the Commission for approval. The agreement is a negotiated agreement which sets forth the terms, conditions and prices under which Qwest will provide services for resale to Maxcess for the provision of local exchange services. Any party wishing to comment on the agreement may do so by filing written comments with the Commission and the parties to the agreement no later than December 20, 2000. Parties to the agreement may file written responses to the comments no later than twenty days after the service of the initial comments.

Staff Attorney: Kelly Frazier
Date Docketed: 11/30/00
Initial Comments Due: 12/20/00

TC00-198 In the Matter of the Application of ALLTEL Communications, Inc. for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Services in South Dakota.

ALLTEL Communications, Inc. (ALLTEL) has filed a request for a Certificate of Authority to provide resold telecommunications services throughout South Dakota. ALLTEL intends to offer resold intrastate, interstate and international long distance service, including calling cards.

Staff Analyst: Heather Forney
Staff Attorney: Kelly Frazier
Date Docketed: 12/04/00
Intervention Deadline: 12/22/00

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Bob Priebe
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SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC
UTILITIES COMMISSION

February 5, 2001

Heather K. Forney
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
Capitol Building, 1st floor
500 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

Re: TC00-198 – In the Matter of the Application of ALLTEL Communications, Inc. for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Services in South Dakota

Dear Ms. Forney:

Listed below is ALLTEL Communications, Inc.'s (ACI) response to the questions/requests contained in your 12-14-00 letter of the same subject.

1) A Cash Flow Statement for ACI is attached. A Balance Sheet and Income Statement for ACI were provided with the original Application.
2) E-mail address for customer complaints and other regulatory matters:
   robert.g.priebe@alltel.com
3) ACI does not engage in any multilevel marketing.
4) ACI's Federal tax identification number is:
   71-0781563
5) We have no formal complaints at the Federal or State level pertaining to Slamming or Cramming.
6) Our requested approval date of 12-31-00 was a target. We will accept any date coincident with South Dakota regulatory policy.
7) Effective date removed in the attached Tariff.
8) Time limit for disputed charges inserted in Section 3.11(b) of the attached Tariff.
9) Section 3.6.9 had been removed and Section 3.6.2 has been modified as requested in the attached Tariff.

If you have any questions, please call me at 501-905-8144.

Sincerely,

Bob Priebe

cc: Larry Whipkey
Mike Gately

ALLTEL Communications, Inc.
Statement of Cash Flows
For the Year Ended December 31, 1999

Cash Flows From Operations	
Net Income (Loss)	$ 12,508,870
Non-cash Operating Activities	
Add Depreciation & Amortization	58,192,494
Provision for Doubtful Accounts Receivable	21,464,932
Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities	
Accounts receivable	(87,485,540)
Inventory	(7,281,793)
Prepaids & other current assets	1,635,862
Accounts payable	11,456,825
Other Liabilities	251,572,540
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Operations	262,064,190
Cash Flows From Investing	
Additions to Plant and Equipment	(224,121,782)
Proceeds from Sale of Assets	2,513,886
Decrease in Other Assets	36,421,919
Increase in Other Investments	(24,465,164)
Increase in Intangibles	(56,931,459)
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Investing	(266,582,600)
Cash Flows From Financing	
Retirement of Long Term Debt	(2,455,247)
Increase In Paid in Capital	6,994,074
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Financing	4,538,827
Change in Cash	$ 20,417

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REGULATIONS AND SCHEDULE OF CHARGES
APPLYING TO INTRASTATE LONG DISTANCE MESSAGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS
SERVICE BETWEEN POINTS IN THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA.

Intrastate Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service
is furnished by means of wire, radio, satellite
or any other suitable technology or combination thereof.

Steve Mowery
Vice President
One Allied Drive
Little Rock, AR 72202

CHECK SHEET

The Title Sheet and Sheets 1 through 26 inclusive of this tariff are effective as of the dates shown. Original and revised sheets, as named below, comprise all changes from the original tariff in effect on the date indicated.

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B. **Sheet Revision Numbers** - Sheet Revision Numbers also appear in the upper left corner of each sheet. These numbers are used to determine the most current sheet version on file with the Commission. Consult the Check Sheet for the sheet currently in effect.

C. **Paragraph Numbering Sequence** - There are nine levels of paragraph coding. Each level of coding is subservient to its next higher level:

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D. **Check Sheets** - When a tariff filing is made with the Commission, an updated Check Sheet accompanies the tariff filing. The Check Sheet lists the sheets contained in the tariff with a cross reference to the current revision number. When new sheets are added, the Check Sheet is changed to reflect the revision. All revisions made in a given filing are designated by an asterisk (*). There will be no other symbols used on this sheet if these are the only changes made to it (i.e., the format, etc., remains the same, just revised revision levels on some sheets). The Tariff user should refer to the latest Check Sheet to find if a particular sheet is the most current on file with the Commission.

Steve Mowery
Vice President
One Allied Drive
Little Rock, AR 72202

EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS

C - to signify a changed regulation.

D - to signify a discontinued rate or regulation.

I - to signify a rate increase.

M - to signify matter relocated without change.

N - to signify a new rate or regulation.

R - to signify a rate reduction.

S - to signify reissued matter.

T - to signify a change in text but no change in rate of regulation.

X - to signify a waiver of F.C.C.'s Rules.

Y - to signify reference to other published tariffs.

Z - to signify a correction.

1. Application of Tariff

This tariff contains the regulations and rates applicable to the provision of Intrastate Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service ("LDMTS") as defined herein, by ALLTEL Communications, Inc. (the "Company"), from its Points of Presence to other points in the State of South Dakota. Service is furnished subject to the availability of facilities and subject to transmission, atmospheric, and like conditions.

2. Definitions

Certain terms used generally throughout this tariff are defined below:

Access Code - A sequence of numbers that, when dialed, connect the caller to the provider of services associated with that sequence.

Authorization Code - A numerical code, one or more of which may be assigned to a Customer, to enable the Company to identify the origin of the service used so that the Company may rate and bill the call. All Authorization Codes shall be the sole property of the Company and no Customer shall have any property or other right or interest in the use of any particular Authorization Code. Automatic Numbering Identification ("ANI") may be used as or in connection with the Authorization Code.

Billed Party - The person or entity responsible for payment for use of the Company's services. For a Direct Dialed Call, the person or entity responsible for payment is the Customer responsible for payment for local telephone service at the telephone used to originate the call. In the case of a credit card call, the person or entity responsible for payment is the person to whom it is issued and the holder of the credit card used. In the case of third party call, the person or entity responsible for payment is the person responsible for payment for local telephone service at the telephone number that agrees to accept charges for the call. In the case of a Room Charge Call, the entity responsible for payment is the Aggregator controlling the telephone used to originate the call. In the case of all Operator Assisted Calls not involving credit cards, third party calls or Room Charge Calls, the person or entity responsible for payment is the Customer responsible for payment for local telephone service at the telephone used to originate the call.

2. Definitions (Cont'd)

Central Office - A Local Exchange Carrier switching system where Local Exchange Carrier customer station loops are terminated for purposes of interconnection to each other and to trunks.

Channel - A path for electrical transmission between two or more points, the path having a band width designed to carry voice grade transmission.

Commission - The South Dakota Public Utilities Commission.

Common Carrier - A company or entity providing telecommunications services to the public.

Credit Card Call - A Direct Dialed or Operator Assisted Call for which charges are billed not to the originating telephone number, but to a credit card, such as Visa or MasterCard, or to a LEC or interexchange carrier calling card.

Customer - The person, partnership, association, joint stock company, trust, corporation, governmental entity or other entity, that is responsible for payment of charges and for compliance with this tariff.

Customer - Provided Facilities - All communications facilities provided by the Customer and/or Authorized User other than those provided by the Company.

Exchange - A unit established by the Local Exchange Carrier for the administration of communications service in a specified area which usually embraces a city, town or village and its environments. It consists of one or more Central Offices together with the associated facilities used in furnishing communications service within that area.

Direct Dialed Call - A telephone call which is automatically completed and billed to the telephone number from which the call originated without the automatic or live assistance of an operator. This includes calls forwarded by call forwarding equipment.

FCC - Federal Communications Commission

2. Definitions (Cont'd)

Local Exchange Carrier (LEC) - A telephone company which provides local telephone service to Customers within a defined exchange.

Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service - The furnishing of direct dialed and operator assisted switched services to the Customer for the completion of long distance voice and dial-up low speed data transmissions over voice grade channels from the Company's Points of Presence to points as specified herein.

Other Common Carrier - A common carrier, other than the Company, providing domestic or international communications service to the public.

Personal Identification Numbers (PINS) - Code numbers used in connection with designated telephone numbers which allow calls to be categorized for various applications.

Points of Presence - The sites where the Company provides a network interface with facilities provided by Other Common Carriers, Local Exchange Carriers or Customers for access to the Company's network.

Premises - A building or buildings on contiguous property (except railroad rights-of-way, etc.) not separated by a public street or highway.

Services - Telecommunications services provided to a Customer or Authorized User by the Company.

Telecommunications - The transmission of voice communications or, subject to the transmission capabilities of the Service, the transmission of data, facsimile, signaling, metering or any other form of intelligence.

Travel Card - A billing mechanism which enables a subscriber or customer to access the services of the carrier while away from home or office.

3. General Regulations

3.1 Service Description

Intrastate Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service ("LDMTS") is offered to residential and business Customers of the Company to provide direct dialed calls placed between points in the United States. The Company provides switchless long distance network services for voice grade and low speed dial-up data transmission services. The Company does not undertake to transmit messages but furnishes the use of its services to its Customers for communications. All services are provided subject to the terms and conditions set out in this tariff.

3.2 Interconnection with Other Common Carriers

The Company reserves the right to interconnect its services with those of any Other Common Carrier, Local Exchange Carrier, or alternate access provider of its election, and to utilize such services concurrently with its own services for the provision of services offered herein.

3.3 Availability of Services

3.3.1 Services are furnished subject to the availability of the Service components required. The Company will: (1) determine which of those components shall be used and (2) make modifications to those components at its option.

3.3.2 Services are available twenty-four hours per day, seven days per week.

Steve Mowery
Vice President
One Allied Drive
Little Rock, AR 72202

3. General Regulations (Cont'd)

3.4 Use of Services

3.4.1 The Company's Services may be used for any lawful purpose consistent with the transmission parameters of the telecommunications facilities utilized in the provision of the Services. All such usage shall be subject to the provisions of this tariff and the applicable rules, regulations and policies of the Public Utilities Commission. Customers and Authorized Users are prohibited from using, and by their acceptance or use of Service agree not to use, the Services furnished by the Company for any unlawful purpose or for any purpose prohibited under the provisions of any regulatory order.

3.4.2 The use of the Company's Services to make calls which might reasonably be expected to frighten, abuse, torment or harass another, or in such a way as to unreasonably interfere with use by others, is prohibited.

3.4.3 The use of the Company's Services without payment for Service, and all attempts to avoid payment for Service by, for example, fraudulent means or devices, schemes, false or invalid numbers or false calling or credit cards, are prohibited.

3.5 Undertaking of the Company

The Company undertakes to provide Intrastate Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in this tariff.

3. General Regulations (Cont'd)

3.6 Liability of the Company

3.6.1 Except as stated in this Section 3.6, the Company shall have no liability for damages of any kind arising out of or related to events, acts, rights or privileges contemplated in this tariff.

3.6.2 The liability of the Company, if any, for damages resulting in whole or in part from or arising in connection with the furnishing of Service under this tariff (including but not limited to mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, errors or other defects in transmission, or failures or defects in facilities furnished by the Company) or arising out of any failure to furnish Service, shall be determined in accordance with SDCL section 49-13-1 and 49-13-1.1 and any other applicable law. However, any such mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, errors, or defects in transmission or service which are caused by the negligence or willful act or omission of Customer, or which arise from the use of Customer-provided facilities or equipment, shall not result in the imposition of any liability whatsoever upon the Company.

3.6.3 The Company is not liable for any act, omission or negligence of any Local Exchange Carrier or other provider whose facilities are used concurrently in furnishing any portion of the services received by Customer, or for the unavailability of or any delays in the furnishing of any services or facilities which are provided by any Local Exchange Carrier. Should the Company employ the service of any Other Common Carrier in furnishing the services provided to Customer, the Company's liability shall be limited according to the provisions of Section 3.6.2 above.

3.6.4. No agents or employees of connecting, concurring or other participating carriers or Company shall be deemed to be agents or employees of the Company without written authorization.

3. General Regulations (Cont'd)

3.6 Liability of the Company (Cont'd)

3.6.5 The Company shall not be liable for any damages, including usage charges, that the Customer may incur as a result of the unauthorized use of its communications equipment. The unauthorized use of the Customer's communications equipment includes, but is not limited to, the placement of calls from the Customer's premises and the placement of calls through Customer-controlled or Customer-provisioned equipment that are transmitted or carried over the Company's network services without the authorization of the Customer. The Customer shall be fully liable for all such charges.

3.6.6 The Company shall not be liable for any failure of performance hereunder due to causes beyond its control, including but not limited to fire, flood, or other catastrophes; Acts of God; atmospheric conditions or other phenomena of nature, such as radiation; any law, regulation, directive, order or request of the United States Government, or any other government including state and local governments having any jurisdiction over the Company or the services provided hereunder; national emergencies; civil disorder, insurrections, riots, wars, strikes, lockouts, work stoppages, or other labor problems or regulations established or actions taken by any court or government agency having jurisdiction over the Company.

3.6.7 The Company shall not be liable for any act or omission of any other entity furnishing to the Customer Facilities or equipment used with the service furnished hereunder; nor shall the Company be liable for any damages or losses due in whole or in part to the fault or negligence of the Customer or due in whole or in part to the failure of Customer-provided equipment or facilities.

Steve Mowery
Vice President
One Allied Drive
Little Rock, AR 72202

3. General Regulations (Cont'd)

3.6 Liability of the Company (Cont'd)

3.6.8 The Company shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Customer and Authorized User from and against all loss, liability, damage, and expense, including reasonable attorney's fees, due to claims for libel, slander, or infringement of copyright or trademark in connection with any material transmitted by any person using the Company's Services and any other claim resulting from any act or omission of the Customer or Authorized User relating to the use of the Company's facilities.

3.7 Assignment

Customer shall not assign or transfer the use of the Company's Services except with the prior written consent of the Company in each and every instance. Consent to such assignment or transfer will not be unreasonably withheld.

3.8 Responsibilities of the Customer

3.8.1 The Customer is responsible for placing any necessary orders; for complying with tariff regulations; and for ensuring that Authorized Users comply with tariff regulations. The Customer is also responsible for the payment of charges for calls originated at the Customer's premises which are not collect, third party, or credit card calls.

3.8.2 The Customer must pay for the loss through theft of any of the Company's LDMTS services.

3. General Regulations (Cont'd)

3.9 Cancellation or Interruption of Services

3.9.1 Upon ten (10) days' written notice and without incurring liability, the Company may discontinue Services to a Customer or to a particular Customer location, or may withhold the provision of ordered or contracted Services under the following conditions provided that the Customer shall be allowed a reasonable time in which to comply with the rule before service is disconnected:

(a) For nonpayment of any sum due to Company for more than thirty (30) days after issuance of the bill of the amount due provided that the telephone utility has made a reasonable attempt to effect collection and has given the Customer written notice that he has five (5) days in which to make settlement on his account or have his service disconnected;

(b) For violation of any of the provisions of this tariff;

(c) For violation of any law, rule, regulation, or policy of any governing authority having jurisdiction over the Company's Services; or

(d) By reason of any order or decision of a court having competent jurisdiction, public service commission or federal regulatory body or other governing authority prohibiting the Company from furnishing its Services.

(e) For the Customer tampering with equipment furnished and owned by the Company.

(f) For failure of the Customer to permit the Company reasonable access to its equipment.

(g) Where there is probable cause to believe that there is illegal or willful misuse of the Company's service.

3. General Regulations (Cont'd)

3.9 Cancellation or Interruption of Services (Cont'd)

3.9.2 The Company may discontinue Services to a Customer or to a particular Customer location, or may withhold the provision of ordered or contracted Services under the following conditions:

(a) In the event of a condition determined by the Company to be hazardous or dangerous.

(b) In the event of Customer use of equipment in such a manner as to adversely affect the Company's service to others.

(c) In the event of unauthorized use of telephone service.

3.9.3 Service may be discontinued by the Company, without notice to the Customer, by blocking traffic to certain points, or by blocking calls using certain Customer Authorization Codes, when the Company deems it necessary to take action to prevent unlawful use of its Service. The Company may restore service as soon as it can be provided without undue risk.

3.9.4 If, for any reason, Service is interrupted, the Customer will be charged only for the Service that was actually used.

3.9.5 Service will be terminated only on Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00AM and 4:00PM, unless provisions have been made to have someone available to accept payment and reconnect service.

3.9.6 Without incurring liability, the Company may interrupt the provision of Services at any time in order to perform tests and inspections to assure compliance with tariff regulations and the proper installation and operation of the Customer's and/or the Company's equipment and facilities, and may continue such interruption until any items of noncompliance or improper equipment operation so identified are rectified.

3. General Regulations (Cont'd)

3.9 Cancellation or Interruption of Services (Cont'd)

3.9.7 The Company will promptly honor a verbal or written Customer request for cancellation of service.

3.10 Calculation of Distance

All measured usage charges are based on the airline distance between rate centers associated with the originating and terminating points of the call.

3.11 Customer Service and Complaint Resolution

(a) The Company's toll-free customer service telephone number is 1-800-255-8351. The Customer may also contact the Company by mail at One Allied Drive, Mailstop: B5F4-ALD STARS, Little Rock, AR 72202. The Company's customer service manager is Cynthia Hunt.

(b) Disputed charges must be presented to the Company in writing within 180 days from the date the bill is rendered.

(c) The Company will handle all Customer complaints courteously and promptly. The Company will fully investigate and attempt to resolve Customer complaints in a timely manner and in full compliance with all Commission rules and regulations. In addition, the Company will notify all Customers making a complaint that the telephone utility is under the jurisdiction of the Commission and that the Customer may wish to contact the Commission about the complaint. The Commission's address and telephone numbers are:

South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
State Capitol Building
500 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

Telephone: (605) 773-3201
Telephone: (800) 332-1782
Telephone: (800) 877-1113 (TDD)

4. Payment and Credit Regulations

4.1 Billing and Collection of Charges

Charges are due when billed, and are billed and collected by the Company or its authorized agent, or the connecting Company from whose service point the messages were sent paid or at whose service point the messages were received collect. The Company will not bill for incomplete calls.

4.2 Payment for Service

The Customer is responsible for payment of all charges for Services, including charges for Services originated or charges accepted at the Customers' Service point.

4.2.1 Charges for third party calls which are charged to a domestic telephone number will be included on the Billed Party's local exchange telephone company bill pursuant to billing and collection agreements established by the Company or its intermediary with the applicable telephone company.

4.2.2 Charges for credit card calls will be included on the Billed Party's regular monthly statement from the card issuing company or will be included on the Billed Party's local exchange telephone company bill.

4.2.3 Any applicable federal, state and local use, excise, sales or privilege taxes or similar liabilities chargeable to or against the Company as a result of the provision of the Company's services hereunder to Customer shall be charged to and payable by Customer in addition to the rates indicated in this tariff.

4.2.4 The Customer shall remit payment of all charges in the return envelope supplied with the bill or to any agency authorized by the Company to receive such payment.

4.2.5 If the bill is not paid within thirty (30) calendar days following the mailing of the bill, the account will be considered delinquent.

4. Payment and Credit Regulations (Cont'd)

4.2 Payment for Service (Cont'd)

4.2.6 A delinquent account may subject the Customer's Service to temporary disconnection. The Company is responsible for notifying the Customer at least ten (10) days before Service is disconnected.

4.2.7 Failure to receive a bill which has been sent will not exempt a Customer from prompt payment of any sum or sums due the Company.

4.2.8 In the event the Company must employ the services of attorneys for collection of charges due under this tariff or under any contract for special services, Customer shall be liable for all costs of collection, including reasonable attorney's fees.

4.3 Deposits and Advance Payments

The Company does not collect deposits or advance payments from its Customers.

4. Payment and Credit Regulations (Cont'd)

4.4 Billing Entity Conditions

When billing functions on behalf of the Company are performed by local exchange telephone companies, credit card companies or others, the payment conditions and regulations of such companies apply, including any applicable interest and/or late payment charges. In the case of any disputed charges which cannot be resolved by the billing company, the Billed Party may contact the Company directly. If there is still a disagreement about the disputed amount after investigation and review by the Company or other service provider, the Billed Party may file an appropriate complaint with the Public Utilities Commission.

4.5 Denial of Access to Service by the Company

The Company expressly retains the right to immediately deny access to its Services without incurring any liability for any of the following reasons:

(a) Nonpayment of any sum due for service provided hereunder, where Customer's charges remain unpaid more than ten (10) days following notice of nonpayment from the Company. Notice shall be deemed to be effective upon mailing of written notice, postage prepaid, to Customer's last known address;

(b) Customer's acts or omissions which constitute a violation of, or a failure to comply with, any regulation stated in this tariff governing the furnishing of service, but which violation or failure to comply does not constitute a material breach or does not pose any actual or threatened interference to the Company's operations or its furnishing of services. The Company agrees to give Customer ten (10) days notice of such violation or failure to comply prior to service; or

(c) The implementation of any order of a court of competent jurisdiction, or federal or state regulatory authority of competent jurisdiction, prohibiting the Company from furnishing such service; or

4. Payment and Credit Regulations (Cont'd)

4.5 Denial of Access to Service by the Company (Cont'd)

(d) Where Customer has failed or neglected to tender any additional or required security deposit within ten (10) days of demand by the Company.

4.6 Customer's Liability in the Event of Denial of Access to Service by the Company

In the event Customer's service is disconnected by the Company for any of the reasons stated in Section 4.5, Customer shall be liable for all unpaid charges due and owing to the Company associated with the service. Customer's deposit and accrued interest shall be applied to all cancellation charges applicable to the service offering received by Customer.

4.7 Reinstitution of Service

If Customer seeks reinstitution of service following denial of service by the Company, Customer shall pay to the Company prior to the time service is reinstituted: (1) all accrued and unpaid charges, and (2) a deposit per section 4.3 in order to reinstitute service.

4.8 Right to Backbill for Improper Use of the Company's Services

Any person or entity which uses, appropriates or secures the use of services from the Company, whether directly or indirectly, in any unlawful manner or through the providing of any misleading or false information to the Company and which use, appropriation, or securing of services is inconsistent with the stated uses, intents, and purposes of this tariff or any restrictions, conditions, and limitations stated herein, shall be liable for an amount equal to the accrued and unpaid charges that would have been applicable to the use of the Company's services actually made by Customer.

4. Payment and Credit Regulations (Cont'd)

4.9 Disconnection and Reconnection Fees

Whenever telephone service is denied or discontinued for violation of the Commission's rules and regulations, non-payment of bills, or fraudulent use of service, the Company may charge a fee not to exceed $20.00 to disconnect and/or reconnect service.

5. Rates for Service

5.1 Types of Offerings

5.1.1 Description of Services

The following Direct Dialed Intrastate Long Distance Message Telecommunications Services are available at the rates listed in 5.2:

(a) Direct-Dialed LDMTS is a presubscribed switched access service, offering users outbound "1 plus" interexchange long distance telecommunications services from points originating and terminating throughout the State of South Dakota. Access may be provided by the Company, or the Customer may utilize local exchange Company access.

(b) Residential 800/888 Service is a presubscribed switched access service, offering users inbound, toll free long distance telecommunications services from points originating and terminating within the State of South Dakota. This service enables the caller to contact the Customer toll free, through the use of a special "800" or "888" number. Access may be provided by the Company, or the Customer may utilize local exchange Company access.

(c) Calling Card Service enables subscribers to place calls from locations other than their presubscribed call locations. Subscribers are billed on a monthly basis at the Company's tariffed rates.

5. Rates for Service (Cont'd)

5.1.1 Description of Services (Cont'd)

(c) Directory Assistance is provided by ALLTEL Communications, Inc.'s underlying carrier to subscribers of record. The Customer may access the underlying carrier's Directory Assistance by dialing the area code plus 555-1212. The Customer will be billed for such service by ALLTEL Communications, Inc.

5.1.2 Determination of Duration

(a) For Direct Dialed calls, chargeable time begins when the connection is established between the calling station and the desired telephone.

(b) Chargeable time ends when the connection is terminated.

(c) Chargeable time does not include the time lost because of faults or defects in the service.

5.1.3 Determination of Time of Day

(a) Peak, and Off Peak periods are determined by the local time of the location of the rate center of the calling service point. A rate period (e.g. 6:30AM-6:30PM) begins with the first stated hour (6:30AM) and continues to, but does not include, the second stated hour (6:30PM). Calls originating in one time period and terminating in another will be billed at the rate applicable for each period.

5. Rates for Service (Cont'd)

5.1.3 Determination of Time of Day (Cont'd)

(b) The Off Peak rate applies to the holidays listed below unless a lower rate period is in effect.

- New Year's Day
- Memorial Day
- Independence Day
- Labor Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Christmas Day

5.1.4 Calculation of Billable Time for Service

The charge for each call is equal to the Company's applicable rate for the Initial Period of the call, plus the Company's applicable rate for each Additional Period of the duration of the call.

5.1.5 Initial Period

The initial period for Direct-Dialed calls is one (1) minute, or fraction thereof.

5.1.6 Additional Periods

Each additional period for Direct-Dialed calls is one (1) minute, or fraction thereof.

5.2 Rate Schedules

5.2.1 Direct Dialed LDMTS Rates

Peak, Per Minute Rate	$.20
Off Peak, Per Minute Rate	$.15

5. Rates for Service (Cont'd)

5.2 Rate Schedules (Cont'd)

5.2.2 Residential 800/888 Service

Per Minute Rate	$.25
Monthly Maintenance Fee	$2.50

5.2.3 Calling Card Service

Peak, Per Minute Rate	$.20
Off-Peak, Per Minute Rate	$.15

5.2.4 Directory Assistance

Rate Per Access	$.85

5.3 Prepaid Card Services

5.3.1 ALLTEL Prepaid Card

ALLTEL Prepaid Card Service provides an outbound voice grade communications service for calls charged to an ALLTEL Prepaid Card.

5.3.1.A Exclusions

The following types of calls may not be completed with the ALLTEL Prepaid Card Service:

Calls to 500 Numbers
Calls to 700 Numbers
Calls to 800 Numbers
Calls to 900 Numbers
Directory Assistance Calls
All Operator Service Calls
Busy-Line Verification and Interrupt Services

Unless stated otherwise herein, ALLTEL Prepaid Cards may not be included on any ALLTEL Calling Plans.

5. Rates for Service (Cont'd)

5.3 Prepaid Card Services (Cont'd)

5.3.1 ALLTEL Prepaid Card (Cont'd)

5.3.1.B Availability of Service

ALLTEL Prepaid Card Service is available twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. The availability of such cards are subject to technical limitations and will be offered on a first come, first service basis.

5.3.2 ALLTEL Prepaid Card Service Regulations

5.3.2.A The ALLTEL Prepaid Calling Card Service is accessed using the ALLTEL toll-free number printed on the card.

5.3.2.B A Customer's call will be interrupted with an announcement when the balance is about to be depleted.

5.3.2.C All calls must be charged against an ALLTEL Prepaid Card that has a sufficient available balance.

5.3.2.D Calls in progress will be terminated by the Company if the balance of the Prepaid Card is insufficient to continue the call.

5.3.2.E The Customer shall not indicate or suggest to any other party, including the Customer's own subscribers if any, that any business relationship exists between the Customer, its agents, distributors, or subscribers and ALLTEL, except that the customer may inform its subscribers that calls placed using the ALLTEL Prepaid Card account number will be carried over the ALLTEL network. The Customer is NOT granted any rights whatsoever in the trade names or logos of ALLTEL or any of its corporate affiliates and the Customer is granted no right to modify the physical appearance of the ALLTEL Prepaid Card. Customers who desire to produce their own version of the card used to charge ALLTEL Prepaid Card Service shall be provided only with the ALLTEL Prepaid Card Service account numbers.

5. Rates for Service (Cont'd)

5.3 Prepaid Card Services (Cont'd)

5.3.3 Rates and Charges

5.3.3.A ALLTEL Prepaid Cards are available in various denominations of units as specified by the Company. This price is inclusive of all taxes. Prepaid Cards will be sold at prices rounded to the nearest cent.

Domestic Denominations	Price Per Unit
All Units	$.15

Cards will be decremented by one unit for each minute or fractional part of a minute for interstate and intrastate calls. These rates apply twenty-four hours per day, seven days per week.

5.4 Rate Period Chart refer to Section 5.1.3 (a) for Time of Day Determination criteria.

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sunday
6:30AM to 6:30PM	PEAK PERIOD					OFF PEAK PERIOD	
6:30PM to 6:30AM	OFF PEAK PERIOD						

5. Rates for Service (Cont'd)

5.5 Promotional Activities

ALLTEL Communications, Inc. may upon occasion offer various promotional/savings opportunities to Customers. These promotional offerings may apply to certain services and may be limited to certain dates, times, and locations. Such promotional offerings will be filed with the Commission and are subject to prior Commission approval.

6. Specialized Services, Rates and Regulations

6.1 Business Circle Plan allows Customers to select a month to month plan, a six (6) month plan, or an eighteen (18) month plan. A Business Circle Customer selecting a term commits to a minimum monthly usage as depicted below. This minimum usage threshold applies to every billing period during the term and is paid regardless of the Customer's amount of usage during other periods. Customers selecting a term may change plans or terminate the service if the Customer provides written notice within ninety (90) days of the initiation of service. Business Circle Customers that do not provide such written notification within the required time period are obligated to the Company for the minimum monthly commitment for the remaining time period left in the term. The following is a list of contract term lengths and associated rates per minute. The per minute rates are effective all times of the day.

6. Specialized Services, Rates and Regulations (Cont'd)

6.1.A. Business Circle Plan Rates Per Minute

Month to Month Time Commitment:

Usage Per Month	1Plus/Outgoing	1-8XX/Incoming	Calling Card
$0 - $99	$0.160	$0.135	$0.250
$100 - $499	$0.155	$0.130	$0.250
$500 - $2,499	$0.150	$0.125	$0.250
$2,500 +	$0.145	$0.120	$0.250

Six (6) Month Time Commitment:

Usage Per Month	1Plus/Outgoing	1-8XX/Incoming	Calling Card
$100 - $499	$0.140	$0.120	$0.250
$500 - $2,499	$0.140	$0.115	$0.250
$2,500 +	$0.140	$0.110	$0.250

Eighteen (18) Month Time Commitment:

Usage Per Month	1Plus/Outgoing	1-8XX/Incoming	Calling Card
$100 - $499	$0.130	$0.110	$0.200
$500 - $2,499	$0.130	$0.105	$0.200
$2,500 +	$0.130	$0.100	$0.200

* A $5.00 monthly fee will be added for each 8XX number.
* All calls are billed in six (6) second increments with a thirty (30) second minimum.

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ALLTEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE INTEREXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN SOUTH DAKOTA)	ORDER GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY TC00-198

On December 4, 2000, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission), in accordance with SDCL 49-31-3 and ARSD 20:10:24:02, received an application for a certificate of authority from ALLTEL Communications, Inc. (ALLTEL).

ALLTEL proposes to offer resold intrastate, interstate and international long distance service, including calling cards. A proposed tariff was filed by ALLTEL. The Commission has classified long distance service as fully competitive.

On December 7, 2000, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of December 22, 2000, to interested individuals and entities. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed and at its March 6, 2001, meeting, the Commission considered ALLTEL's request for a certificate of authority. Commission Staff recommended granting a certificate of authority.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31, specifically 49-31-3 and ARSD 20:10:24:02 and 20:10:24:03. The Commission finds that ALLTEL has met the legal requirements established for the granting of a certificate of authority. ALLTEL has, in accordance with SDCL 49-31-3, demonstrated sufficient technical, financial and managerial capabilities to offer telecommunications services in South Dakota. The Commission approves ALLTEL's application for a certificate of authority. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that ALLTEL's application for a certificate of authority is hereby granted. It is

FURTHER ORDERED, that ALLTEL shall file informational copies of tariff changes with the Commission as the changes occur.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 9th day of March, 2001.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, by first class mail, in properly addressed envelopes, with charges prepaid thereon.

By Delaine Kolbo

Date 3/13/01

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

James A. Burg

JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

Pam Nelson

PAM NELSON, Commissioner

SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

To Conduct Business As ATelecommunications Company
Within The State of South Dakota

Authority was Granted as of the date of the
Order Granting Certificate of Authority
Docket No. TC00-198

This is to certify that

ALLTEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

is authorized to provide interexchange telecommunications services in South Dakota.

This certificate is issued in accordance with SDCL 49-31-3 and ARSD 20:10:24:02, and is subject to all of the conditions and limitations contained in the rules and statutes governing its conduct of offering telecommunications services.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 9th day of March, 2001.

SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION:

JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

PAM NELSON, Commissioner