

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

UM 1251

In the Matter of	)	
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COVAD COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY;	)	STAFF COMMENTS
ESCHELON TELECOM OF OREGON, INC.;	)	
INTEGRA TELECOM OF OREGON, INC.;	)	
MCLEODUSA TELECOMMUNICATIONS	)	
SERVICES, INC.; AND XO	)	
COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, INC.	)	

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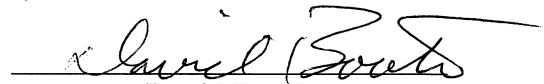
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Commission staff has reviewed the Settlement Agreement. With the one caveat stated below, staff recommends the Commission approve the Settlement Agreement as a reasonable resolution of the issues in this proceeding.

Section VII of the Settlement Agreement deals with negotiation and filing of amendments to interconnection agreements between the parties under Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Attachments B, C, and D to the Settlement Agreement set forth language certain parties have agreed to file as amendments to their interconnection agreements. The Commission should make clear in its order approving the Settlement Agreement that, by approving the Settlement Agreement, the Commission has not prejudged the merits of the amendments. The Commission will review and approve or reject any filed amendments separately under OAR 860-016-0020.

Dated at Salem, Oregon this 19th day of July, 2007.

  
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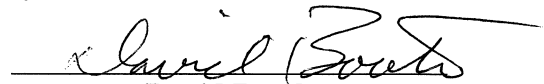
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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I certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all parties of record in this proceeding by delivering a copy in person or by mailing a copy properly addressed with first class postage prepaid, or by electronic mail pursuant to OAR 860-13-0070, to the following parties or attorneys of parties.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2007.

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