UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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In re :

: Chapter 11 Case No. Allegiance Telecom, Inc., et al., : 03-13057 (RDD)

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Debtors. : Jointly Administered X

ORDER, PURSUANT TO RULE 9019 OF THE FEDERAL RULES OF BANKRUPTCY PROCEDURE, APPROVING THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT, DATED JULY 15, 2003, AMONG BAYERISCHE HYPO-UND VEREINSBANK AG, BANK AUSTRIA CREDITANSTALT CORPORATE FINANCE, INC. AND THE DEBTORS

Upon consideration of the motion (the "Motion"), dated July 17, 2003, of Allegiance Telecom, Inc. and its direct and indirect subsidiaries, as debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors"), seeking entry of an order, pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9019,¹ for approval of the Settlement Agreement, as more fully set forth in the Motion; and it appearing that this Court has jurisdiction to consider and determine the Motion as a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334; and due and proper notice of the Motion having been given; and the Court having reviewed the Motion and having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and it further appearing that the relief requested in the Motion is within the Debtors' sound business judgment; and it further appearing that the Settlement Agreement is fair, reasonable and in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, creditors and other parties in interest; and the Court having determined that the Settlement Agreement was entered into in good faith and is a result of arms-length negotiations; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is

ORDERED that the Motion is granted; and it is further

Unless otherwise defined herein, capitalized terms shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Motion.

ORDERED that the Settlement Agreement is authorized and approved pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9019; and it is further

ORDERED that the Debtors are authorized to execute, deliver, implement and fully perform any and all obligations, instruments, documents and papers and to take any and all actions reasonably necessary or appropriate to consummate the Settlement Agreement and perform any and all obligations contemplated therein; and it is further

ORDERED that the Banks are authorized to execute, deliver, implement and fully perform any and all obligations, instruments, documents and papers and to take any and all actions reasonably necessary or appropriate to consummate the Settlement Agreement and perform any and all obligations contemplated therein; and it is further

ORDERED that, upon entry of this Order, the Banks shall advance and deliver directly to the Borrower an amount equal to its respective Net Funding Obligation (i.e., an aggregate amount equal to \$7,413,968.90); and it is further

ORDERED that cash representing the Net Funding Obligation shall constitute Cash Collateral (as defined in the Amended Final Order); and it is further

ORDERED that the amount of the Net Funding Obligation shall not be included in the calculation of the Minimum Cash Balance (as defined in the Amended Final Order); and it is further

ORDERED that, except for the release related to the Funding Dispute, the release set forth in Section 3.01 of the Settlement Agreement shall not provide the Banks with any greater release than that set forth in Section 12(c) of the Amended Final Order as it relates to the Funding Lenders; and it is further

ORDERED that upon the effectiveness of the Settlement Agreement the rights

and obligations of the Banks under the Prepetition Credit Agreement and the Amended Final

Order shall be equal to the rights and obligations of the Funding Lenders; and it is further

ORDERED that this Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all

matters arising from or related to the implementation of this Order.

Dated: New York, New York

July <u>29</u>, 2003

/s/Robert D. Drain

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

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