

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

JANUARY 18, 2002

IN RE:

**APPROVAL OF THE AMENDMENT TO THE
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT NEGOTIATED
BY BELL SOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.
AND ADELPHIA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS
OPERATIONS, INC. AND ADELPHIA BUSINESS
SOLUTIONS OF NASHVILLE, LP PURSUANT TO
SECTIONS 251 AND 252 OF THE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996**

DOCKET NO. 01-00834

ORDER APPROVING AMENDMENT TO THE INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

The Petition for Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated Between BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and Adelphia Business Solutions Operations, Inc. and Adelphia Business Solutions of Nashville, LP Pursuant to the Telecommunications Act of 1996 came before the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the "Authority") at the November 6, 2001 Authority Conference. The Agreement and the initial Amendments were filed on May 4, 2001 and assigned Docket No. 01-00407. A majority of the Directors voted to take no action on the Agreement and Amendments at the July 24, 2001 Authority Conference.¹ Thus, pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(4), the Agreement and Amendments were deemed approved as of August 2, 2001. The current Amendment was filed on September 26, 2001 and came before the Authority pursuant to 47 U.S.C. §§ 251 and 252.

Based upon the Petition, the record in this matter, and the standards for review set forth in 47 U.S.C. §§ 251 and 252, the Directors unanimously approved the Amendment and made the following findings and conclusions:

¹ Chairman Kyle did not vote with the majority. Instead, she moved to approve the Agreement and Amendments thereto.

- 1) The Authority has jurisdiction over public utilities pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-104.
- 2) The Amendment is in the public interest as it provides consumers with alternative sources of telecommunications services within BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s service area.
- 3) The Amendment is not discriminatory to telecommunications service providers that are not parties thereto.
- 4) No person or entity has sought to intervene in this docket.
- 5) The Amendment satisfies the standards for approval of negotiated interconnection agreements set forth in 47 U.S.C. §§ 251 and 252.
- 6) The Amendment is reviewable by the Authority pursuant to 47 U.S.C. §§ 251 and 252 and Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-104.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

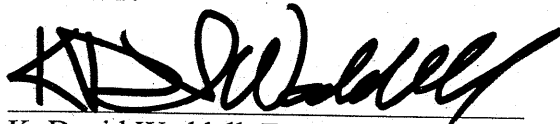
The Amendment negotiated by and between BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and Adelphia Business Solutions Operations, Inc. and Adelphia Business Solutions of Nashville, LP is approved and is subject to the review of the Authority as provided herein.


Sara Kyle, Chairman


H. Lynn Green, Jr., Director


Melvin J. Malone, Director

ATTEST:


K. David Waddell, Executive Secretary