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Hon. Sara Kyle, Chairman
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Parkway
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Re: *Joint Petition for Arbitration of NewSouth Communications Corp., et al. of an Interconnection Agreement with BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. Pursuant to Section 252(b) of the Communications Act of 1934, as Amended*
Docket No. 04-00046

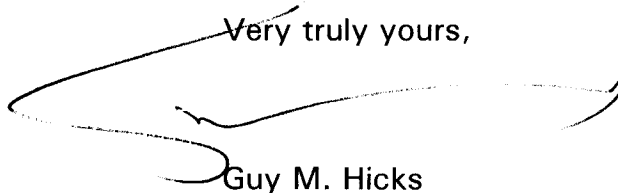
Dear Chairman Kyle:

This is to notify the Authority that NuVox and BellSouth have agreed to an interim tandem intermediary ("TIC") charge subject to true-up. This is Item No. 65 on the issues matrix for this arbitration. Given the parties' negotiated agreement with respect to this issue, the parties do not intend to file Best and Final Offers.

In light of the parties agreement on an interim TIC charge, BellSouth respectfully requests a thirty day extension to file any cost study related to the TIC charge. I have confirmed that counsel for NuVox has no objection to this request for extension, which will allow the parties additional time to discuss the matter and perhaps resolve it by agreement.

Counsel for NuVox has authorized me to submit this letter on NuVox' behalf.

Very truly yours,



Guy M. Hicks

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