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Chairman Eddie Roberson Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, Tennessee 37243

Re: Docket No. 04-00284. Rulemaking for the Purpose of Addressing the Provisions of Public Chapter 545 Enacted in 2004, Public Chapter 173 and 270 Enacted in 2005, and the Authority's Decisions Rendered in Docket 03-00391.

Dear Chairman Roberson:

United Telephone-Southeast, Inc. d/b/a Embarq ("Embarq") appreciates the opportunity to file comments in the above-referenced docket. Enclosed are an original and four (4) copies of Comments of United Telephone-Southeast, Inc. d/b/a Embarq ("Embarq"). Embarq has already filed these comments electronically and this letter is the required follow-up to that filing.

An extra copy of this letter is enclosed. Please stamp it "Filed" and return to me in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions concerning this filing.

Sincerely yours,

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Enclosures

cc: Parties of Record

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BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

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COMMENTS OF UNITED TELEPHONE-SOUTHEAST, INC. D/B/A EMBARQ CONCERNING THE OCTOBER 19, 2007, DRAFT RULES

United Telephone-Southeast, Inc. d/b/a Embarq ("Embarq") files the following comments concerning the Tennessee Regulatory Authority's ("Authority's") proposed rules dated October 19, 2007. Embarq thanks the Authority for permitting parties the opportunity to offer additional comment on the proposed rules. Embarq supports the rule changes presented in the October 19, 2007 proposed rules; however, Embarq supports the analysis and comments AT&T has provided regarding proposed Rule 1220-4-2-.59.

Proposed Rule 1220-4-2-.59 is potentially inconsistent with the clear language of Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-37-101. Section 65-37-101(a) expressly states a policy of encouraging promotional incentives for telecommunications services throughout the state. Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-37-101(b) permits unlimited promotional offerings for telecommunications services, subject to certain restrictions on free service offerings. In contrast proposed Rule 1220-4-2-.59, by adding formatting not included in the statute, potentially requires that all promotions not extend more than six months.

Embarq respectfully requests that the Authority either delete proposed Rule 1220-4-2-.59 or revise the language of the rule to track Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-37-101 so as to avoid any potential confusion.

Respectfully submitted this 29th day of October, 2007.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing Comments of United Telephone-Southeast, Inc. upon all parties of record to this Docket by depositing a copy addressed to each in the United States Mail, first-class postage prepaid.

This 29th day of October, 2007.

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