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Hon. Pat Miller
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Tennessee Regulatory Authority
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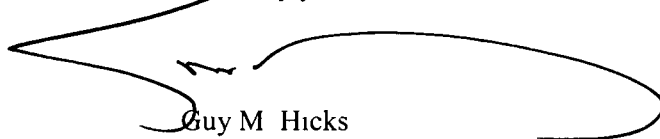
Re: *Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc and Comm South Companies, Inc Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*
Docket No 04-00430

Dear Chairman Miller

Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Comm South Companies, Inc and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. are hereby submitting to the Tennessee Regulatory Authority the original and fourteen copies of the attached Petition for Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement dated July 4, 2002. The Amendment adds adoption language to the General Terms and Conditions of the Agreement

Thank you for your attention to this matter

Sincerely yours,



Guy M Hicks

cc: Roy Harsila, Comm South Companies, Inc

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY
Nashville, Tennessee

In re: *Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.ⁱ and Comm South Companies, Inc Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*

Docket No. _____

PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF THE
AMENDMENT TO THE INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT
NEGOTIATED BETWEEN BELL SOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.
AND COMM SOUTH COMPANIES, INC.
PURSUANT TO THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996

COME NOW, Comm South Companies, Inc. ("Comm South") and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., ("BellSouth"), and file this request for approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement dated July 4, 2002 (the "Amendment") negotiated between the two companies pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, (the "Act"). In support of their request, Comm South and BellSouth state the following:

1. Comm South and BellSouth have successfully negotiated an agreement for interconnection of their networks, the unbundling of specific network elements offered by BellSouth and the resale of BellSouth's telecommunications services to Comm South. The Interconnection Agreement was filed with the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") for approval on January 20, 2003.

2. The parties have recently negotiated an Amendment to the Agreement which adds adoption language to the General Terms and Conditions of the Agreement. A copy of the Amendment is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

3. Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Comm South and BellSouth are submitting their Amendment to the TRA for its

consideration and approval. The Amendment provides that either or both of the parties are authorized to submit this Amendment to the TRA for approval.

4. In accordance with Section 252(e) of the Act, the TRA is charged with approving or rejecting the negotiated Amendment between BellSouth and Comm South within 90 days of its submission. The Act provides that the TRA may only reject such an agreement if it finds that the agreement or any portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or the implementation of the agreement or any portion of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

5. Comm South and BellSouth aver that the Amendment is consistent with the standards for approval.

6. Pursuant to 47 USC Section 252(i) and 47 C.F.R. Section 51.809, BellSouth shall make available the entire Interconnection Agreement filed and approved pursuant to 47 USC Section 252.

Comm South and BellSouth respectfully request that the TRA approve the Amendment negotiated between the parties.

This 13th day of Dec., 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC

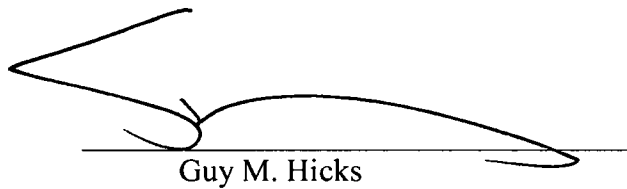
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Guy M. Hicks, hereby certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing Petition for Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement on the following via United States Mail on the 13th day of Dec., 2004.

Roy Harsila
Comm South Companies, Inc.
6830 Walling Lane
Dallas, TX 75231



Guy M. Hicks

**Amendment to the Agreement
Between
Comm South Companies, Inc.
and
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.
Dated July 4, 2002**

Pursuant to this Amendment, (the "Amendment"), Comm South on behalf of itself and its certified operating affiliates, Altair Communications, Inc , E-Z Tel, Inc , and Comm South Companies, Inc , doing business in its own name and doing business as Alabama Comm South Corp , Comm South Companies, Inc d/b/a/ Florida Comm South, Kentucky Comm South, Inc., and Comm South in Tennessee (collectively referred to as "Comm South"), and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"), hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties," hereby agree to amend that certain Interconnection Agreement between the Parties dated July 4, 2002 ("Agreement") to be effective 30 (thirty) days after the date of the last signature executing the Amendment ("Effective Date")

WHEREAS, BellSouth and Comm South entered into the Agreement on July 4, 2002, and,

WHEREAS, BellSouth and Comm South are amending the Adoption of Agreements provision of the Agreement pursuant to the FCC's Second Report and Order, WC Docket No 01-338, issued on July 13, 2004,

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual provisions contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby covenant and agree as follows

- 1 The Parties agree to delete Section 13 of the General Terms and Conditions and replace it with the following.

13 Pursuant to 47 USC § 252(i) and 47 C.F.R § 51.809, BellSouth shall make available to Comm South any entire interconnection agreement filed and approved pursuant to 47 USC § 252. The adopted agreement shall apply to the same states as the agreement that was adopted, and the term of the adopted agreement shall expire on the same date as set forth in the agreement that was adopted

- 2 All of the other provisions of the Agreement dated July 4, 2002 shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect
- 3 Either or both of the Parties are authorized to submit this Amendment to the respective state regulatory authorities for approval subject to Section 252(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Amendment the day and year written below.

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.

By: 

Name: Kristen Rowe

Title: Director

Date: 10/18/04

**Alabama Comm South Corp.
Comm South Companies, Inc.
Comm South in Tennessee
Comm South Companies, Inc. d/b/a
Florida Comm South
E-Z Tel, Inc.
Altair Communications, Inc.
Kentucky Comm South, Inc.**

By: 

Name: B. A. Arrieta

Title: Secretary Treas

Date: 9/27/04