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### **VIA HAND DELIVERY**

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Hon. Ron Jones Chairman Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0505

Re:

Approval of the Amendments to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and TCG MidSouth, Inc. Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

Docket No. \_\_\_\_\_\_06-00285

### Dear Chairman Jones:

Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, TCG MidSouth, Inc. and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. are hereby submitting to the Tennessee Regulatory Authority six paper copies and one electronic copy of the attached Petition for Approval of the Amendments to the Interconnection Agreement dated March 14, 2006. The first Amendment modifies the notice provision in the Agreement and the second amendment relates to HDSL circuits.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Guy M. Hicks

Michelle Bourianoff, Senior Attorney, TCG MidSouth, Inc. cc:

### BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY Nashville, Tennessee

In re:

Approval of the Amendments to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and TCG MidSouth, Inc. Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Docket No.	
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# PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF THE AMENDMENTS TO THE INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT NEGOTIATED BETWEEN BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. AND TCG MIDSOUTH, INC. PURSUANT TO THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996

COME NOW, TCG MidSouth, Inc. ("TCG") and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., ("BellSouth"), and file this request for approval of the Amendments to the Interconnection Agreement dated March 14, 2006 (the "Amendments") negotiated between the two companies pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, (the "Act"). In support of their request, TCG and BellSouth state the following:

- 1. TCG 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 TCG. The Interconnection Agreement was filed with the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") on April 13, 2006 in Docket 06-00102 for approval.
- 2. The parties have recently negotiated two Amendments to the Agreement.

  The first Amendment modifies the notice provision in the Agreement and the second Amendment relates to HDSL circuits. Copies of the Amendments are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

- 3. Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, TCG and BellSouth are submitting their Amendments to the TRA for its consideration and approval. The Amendments provide that either or both of the parties are authorized to submit the Amendments 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 Amendments between BellSouth and TCG 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. TCG and BellSouth aver that the Amendments are 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 approved pursuant to 47 USC Section 252.

TCG and BellSouth respectfully request that the TRA approve the Amendments negotiated between the parties.

Respectfully submitted,

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

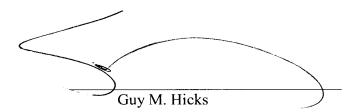
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333 Commerce Street, Suite 2101 Nashville, Tennessee 37201-3300 (615) 214-6301 Attorney for BellSouth

### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Guy M. Hicks, hereby certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing Petition for Approval of the Amendments to the Interconnection Agreement on the following via United States Mail on the day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2006:

TCG MidSouth, Inc. Michelle Bourianoff Senior Attorney 919 Congress Suite 900 Austin, TX 78701-2444



## Third Amendment to the Agreement Between TCG MidSouth, Inc. and

### BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. Dated March 14, 2006 Tennessee

Pursuant to this Amendment, (the "Amendment"), TCG MidSouth, Inc. (TCG), and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (BellSouth), hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties," hereby agree to amend that certain Interconnection Agreement between the Parties dated March 14, 2006 (Agreement) to be effective the date of the last signature executing the Amendment (Effective Date).

WHEREAS, BellSouth and TCG entered into the Agreement on March 14, 2006, and;

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 modify Section 17, Notices of the General Terms and Conditions as follows:

### Delete:

Chief commercial Attorney AT&T Legal Department 1230 Peachtree St NE Fourth Floor Atlanta, GA 30309

### Replace with:

Senior Attorney Michelle Bourianoff 919 Congress Suite 900 Austin, TX 78701-2444

- 2. All of the other provisions of the Agreement, dated March 14, 2006, shall remain 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.	TCG MidSouth, Inc.
By: ( 7 //6)	By: Bill & Reason
Name: Kristen E. Shore	Name: Bill C. Feacock
Title: Director	Title: Drector - BAM
Date: 20/04	Date: 0/8/0%

### FOURTH AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN TCG MIDSOUTH, INC AND

### BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. TENNESSEE DATED MARCH 14, 2006

Pursuant to this Amendment, (the "Amendment"), TCG MidSouth, Inc. ("TCG"), and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"), hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties," hereby agree to amend that certain Interconnection Agreement between the Parties dated March 14, 2006, ("Agreement") to be effective the date of the last signature executing the Amendment (Effective Date).

WHEREAS, BellSouth and TCG entered into the Agreement on March 14, 2006, and;

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 add Section 2.3.5.1 of Attachment 2 as follows:
  - 2.3.5.1 TCG's existing HDSL capable loops as of the effective date of this Amendment will be grandfathered under the Agreement until the earlier of: (1) the date TCG converts the existing HDSL capable loop to another service; or (2) the expiration/termination date of the Agreement. No new HDSL capable loops may be ordered in those wire centers that have been deemed as unimpaired.
- 2. All of the other provisions of the Agreement dated March 14, 2006 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. However, by doing so, the Parties are not waiving their right to oppose approval of this Amendment under Section 252(e)(2) or to seek judicial review of the rates contained herein.

### General Terms and Conditions Signature Page

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

<b>BellSouth</b> Telecommunications, Inc.	TCG MidSouth, Inc.					
By: Miller & May	By Bill & Rewall					
Name: Kristen E. Shore	Name: Bill C. Peacock					
Title: Director	Director – Local Services & Title: Access Management					
Date: 15/17/56	Date: 10/2/0\0					

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