

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

AT NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

March 26, 2008

IN RE:

**UNITED TELEPHONE-SOUTHEAST, INC.
D/B/A EMBARQ CORPORATION TARIFF FILING
TO INCREASE RATES IN CONJUNCTION
WITH THE APPROVED 2007 ANNUAL PRICE
REGULATION FILING**

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**DOCKET NO.
07-00269**

ORDER SETTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

This matter came before the Hearing Officer as a result of the action taken by the voting panel at the March 24, 2008 Authority Conference concerning the Hearing Officer's February 14, 2008 *Initial Order*. An agreed proposed schedule was filed in this docket on January 31, 2008, but had not been adopted by the Hearing Officer pending the disposition of the appeal of the *Initial Order*. With the issues on appeal now resolved by the Authority, this proceeding shall commence under the following procedural schedule proposed by the parties, modified to accommodate the lapse of time during appeal:

April 2, 2008

First round of discovery requests

April 23, 2008

**Response to first round of discovery requests
and Objections**

April 25, 2008

Motions to compel

April 29, 2008

Responses to Motions to compel

May 1, 2008

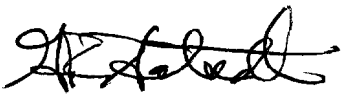
**1:30 P.M. Status Conference re: discovery
disputes (if required)**

June 9, 2008	Pre-filed direct testimony of parties
June 16, 2008	Second round of discovery requests
June 30, 2008	Response to second round of discovery requests and Objections
July 3, 2008	Motions to compel
July 8, 2008	Responses to Motions to compel
July 10, 2008	1:30 P.M. Status Conference re: discovery disputes (if required)
July 23, 2008	Rebuttal testimony of parties
July 28, 2008	Exchange and Filing Exhibits
July 31, 2008	1:30 P.M. Pre-Hearing Conference
August 4-5, 2008 (or week thereof)	Proposed Hearing dates suggested by the parties; dates subject to confirmation by the assigned panel of directors

After Hearing dates are determined, a Notice of Hearing will be issued.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. A procedural schedule is established as stated herein.
2. One copy of all discovery requests, responses, and objections shall be filed with the Authority.
3. All filings are due no later than **2:00 p.m.** on the dates indicated in the procedural schedule.



 Gary R. Hotvedt,
 Hearing Officer