

TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

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ATTN: Ms. Arlee Holt
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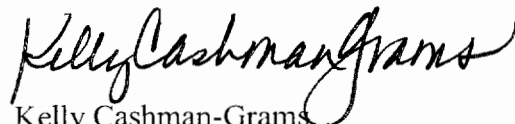
RE: Petition of Midwestern Telecommunications, Inc. for a CCN to Provide Local
Exchange Access and Interexchange Services, TRA Docket No. 08-00078

Dear Ms. Holt:

Your request for an extension of time to respond to certain data requests, issued by the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") Staff on May 12, 2008, was received via electronic mail ("email") on July 31, 2008. In your email, you indicate that your responses are delayed or otherwise contingent upon the ability of Midwestern Telecommunications, Inc. ("MTI") to acquire a corporate surety bond or irrevocable letter of credit in the amount of \$20,000, pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-125(j).

Accordingly, an extension of time in which to respond to the data requests of TRA Staff in the amount of thirty (30) days is hereby granted. Please file the responses of MTI to the above-referenced data requests, or in the alternative, submit an update concerning the status of the pending corporate surety bond or irrevocable letter of credit **no later than September 4, 2008**. Thank you for your continued cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,


Kelly Cashman-Grams
Hearing Officer

C: Docket File No. 08-00078
Interested Parties