

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY  
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

**October 22, 2008**

*Re : Petition for Regulatory Exemption* )  
*Pursuant to T.C.A. § 65-5-108 (b) to Increase* )  
*Regulatory Parity and Modernization* )

Docket No. 08-00192

filed electronically 10/22/08

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**PETITION TO INTERVENE OF COMPSOUTH**

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Competitive Carriers of the South, Inc. ("CompSouth")<sup>1</sup> petitions the Authority to intervene as a matter of right in the above-captioned proceeding pursuant to T.C.A. § 4-5-310(a).

CompSouth is a coalition of competitive local exchange carriers operating in Tennessee in competition with AT&T Tennessee ("AT&T"). This proceeding will address, among other things, the terms and conditions under which AT&T offers services in Tennessee. Specifically, AT&T requests complete exemption from TRA regulation for all currently regulated services in AT&T's Intrastate Services Tariffs, including the General Subscriber Services Tariff ("GSST or A Tariff") and Private Line Services Tariff ("B Tariff") in AT&T's Rate Groups 3, 4 and 5. Additionally, AT&T seeks to exempt bundles and promotions from any price-regulation and eliminate all regulatory requirements imposed pursuant to Title 65, Chapter 5, Part 1 for all services provided to business customers state-wide. This proceeding may also affect the TRA's jurisdiction over AT&T's wholesale services which are offered to competitors such as the members of CompSouth. Therefore, the legal rights, duties, privileges, immunities, or other legal interests of CompSouth's members may be affected or determined by the outcome of this proceeding. Granting this petition will not impair the interests of justice or the orderly and prompt conduct of these proceedings.

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<sup>1</sup> The members of CompSouth include: Access Integrated Networks, Inc., Access Point Inc., Cavalier Telephone, Cbeyond Communications, Covad Communications Company, DeltaCom, Level 3 Communications, Momentum Telecom, Inc., Nuvox Communications, Inc., Sprint Nextel, Time Warner Telecom, XO Communications.

CompSouth, therefore, asks that this Petition to Intervene be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

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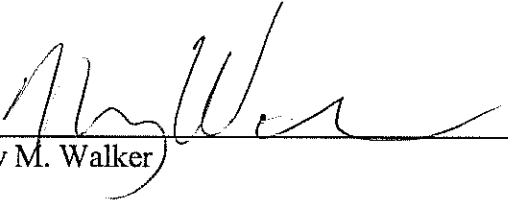
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