## BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

## NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

April 5, 2010

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BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. D/B/A	)	
AT&T SOUTHEAST D/B/A AT&T TENNESSEE	)	DOCKET NO.
COMPLAINT AND PETITION FOR RELIEF VS.	)	10-00005
TENNESSEE TELEPHONE SERVICE, INC. D/B/A	)	
FREEDOM COMMUNICATIONS USA, LLC	)	

## ORDER CONVENING A CONTESTED CASE AND APPOINTING A HEARING OFFICER

This matter came before Chairman Sara Kyle, Director Kenneth C. Hill and Director Mary W. Freeman of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the "Authority"), the voting panel assigned to this docket, at a regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on March 22, 2010 for consideration of *AT&T Tennessee's Complaint and Petition for Relief* filed on January 8, 2010 by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Southeast d/b/a AT&T Tennessee ("AT&T"). On January 13, 2010, AT&T filed *AT&T Tennessee's Motion for Consolidation* ("*Motion for Consolidation*") requesting consolidation of this docket with Authority Docket Nos. 10-00004, 10-00006, 10-00007 and 10-00008<sup>1</sup> for the purpose of resolving the two issues that it claims are common across all of the dockets.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See In re: BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Southeast d/b/a AT&T Tennessee Complaint and Petition for Relief vs. Budget Prepay, Inc. d/b/a Budget Phone fka Budget Phone, Inc., Docket No. 10-00004. See In re: BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Southeast d/b/a AT&T Tennessee Complaint and Petition for Relief vs. Image Access, Inc. d/b/a New Phone, Docket No. 10-00006. See In re: BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Southeast d/b/a AT&T Tennessee Complaint and Petition for Relief vs. dPi Teleconnect, LLC, Docket No. 10-00007. See In re: BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Southeast d/b/a AT&T Tennessee Complaint and Petition for Relief vs. BLC Management, LLC d/b/a Angles Communications Solutions, Docket No. 10-00008.

On February 25, 2010, Tennessee Telephone Service, LLC d/b/a Freedom Communications, LLC d/b/a Freedom Communications USA, LLC filed its Response of Tennessee Telephone Service, LLC, d/b/a Freedom Communications, LLC, d/b/a Freedom Communications USA, LLC to AT&T's Motion for Consolidation and also filed its Answer and Counter-Claims of Tennessee Telephone Service, Inc., d/b/a Freedom Communications USA LLC.

During the Authority Conference, the panel voted unanimously to convene a contested case proceeding and to appoint the Authority's General Counsel or his designee to serve as Hearing Officer for the purpose of handling any preliminary matters and preparing the matter for a hearing before the panel. The panel instructed the Hearing Officer to rule on pending motions, other than AT&T's *Motion for Consolidation*, and to prepare a recommendation to the panel on the *Motion for Consolidation*.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Sara Kyle, Chairman

enneth C. Hill, Director

Mary W Freeman Director