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RE: Docket No. 10-00124: Joint Application of Birch Communications, Inc., Birch Telecom of the South, Inc. dba Birch Communications and Birch Communications Holdings, Inc. for Approval of a Pro Forma Internal Reorganization of Birch Communications, Inc.

Dear Ms. Collins:

In order to fully analyze the above-referenced *Joint Application*, the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA" or "Authority") requires additional information. Please discuss the implications of the transaction described in the *Joint Application* on the public interest of Tennessee consumers. Provide the information requested above by July 1, 2010, and refer to this correspondence as Data Request No. 1 in the response.

If you have any questions or need further assistance, please call Carlos Black at 615-741-2904, ext. 196 or e-mail him at Carlos.Black@tn.gov. Please respond by sending the original and 13 copies either by U.S. Mail or express mail. Alternatively, you may send the original and four (4) copies along with an electronic file:

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