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February 23, 2015

Hon. Herbert Hilliard, Chairman Tennessee Regulatory Authority 502 Deaderick Street Nashville, TN 37238

Re:

Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by

AT&T Tennessee and MCImetro Access Transmission Services, LLC

Docket No. __15-00026_

Dear Chairman Hilliard:

Enclosed for filing in the referenced docket are the original and one copy of the Petition for Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by AT&T Tennessee and MCImetro Access Transmission Services, LLC ("MCImetro").

In accordance with Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, the TRA is charged with approving or rejecting the negotiated Agreement between AT&T Tennessee and MCImetro within 90 days of its submission. The Act provides that the TRA may only reject such an agreement if it finds that the agreement or any portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or the implementation of the agreement or any portion of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity. MCImetro and AT&T Tennessee aver that the Agreement is consistent with the standards for approval.

The amendment adds Reciprocal Compensation rates, terms and conditions.

AT&T Tennessee respectfully requests that the Authority approve the Agreement.

Very truly yours,

PaulStinson

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BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY
Nashville, Tennessee

In re:

Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by AT&T Tennessee and MCImetro Access Transmission Services, LLC

Docket No. 15-00022

PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF THE AMENDMENT TO THE INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT NEGOTIATED BETWEEN AT&T TENNESSEE AND MCIMETRO ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES, LLC

AT&T Tennessee ("AT&T") and MCImetro Access Transmission Services, LLC ("MCImetro") file this request for approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement (the "Agreement") negotiated between the two companies pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the "Act"). In support of their request, MCImetro and AT&T state the following:

- 1. MCImetro and AT&T have negotiated an agreement for interconnection of their networks, the unbundling of specific network elements offered by AT&T and the resale of AT&T's telecommunications services to MCImetro. A copy of the Agreement is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.
- 2. The parties have recently negotiated an amendment to the Agreement adding Reciprocal Compensation rates, terms and conditions.
- 3. Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, MCImetro and AT&T are submitting their Agreement to the TRA for its consideration and approval.
- 4. In accordance with Section 252(e) of the Act, the TRA is charged with approving or rejecting the negotiated Agreement between AT&T and MCImetro within 90 days of its

submission. The Act provides that the TRA may only reject such an agreement if it finds that the agreement or any portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or the implementation of the agreement or any portion of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

- 5. MCImetro and AT&T aver that the Agreement is consistent with the standards for approval.
- 6. Pursuant to 47 USC Section 252(i) and 47 C.F.R. Section 51.809, AT&T shall make available the entire Interconnection Agreement approved pursuant to 47 USC Section 252.

MCImetro and AT&T respectfully request that the TRA approve the Agreement negotiated between the parties.

Respectfully submitted,

AT&T TENNESSEE

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AMENDMENT

BETWEEN

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, LLC D/B/A AT&T TENNESSEE **AND**

MCIMETRO ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES, LLC



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| MCImetro | o Access Transmission Services, LLC | BellSouth TENNESS agent | Telecommunications, LLC d/b/a AT&T SEE by AT&T Services, Inc., its authorized |
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| | (Print or Type) | | (Print or Type) |
| Title: | AVP, Verizon Partner Solutions | Title: | Executive Director-Regulatory |
| | (Print or Type) | | (Print or Type) |
| Name: | eSigned - Dan Higgins | Name: | eSigned - Kristen E. Shore |
| Signature | eSigned - Dan Higgins | Signature: _ | eSigned - Kristen E. Shore |

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AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN MCIMETRO ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES LLC AND BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, LLC d/b/a AT&T TENNESSEE

This Amendment (the "Amendment") amends the Interconnection Agreement by and between BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC d/b/a AT&T Tennessee ("AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE") and MCIMetro Access Transmission Services LLC ("CLEC"). "AT&T" and CLEC are hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties" and individually as a "Party".

WHEREAS, <u>AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE</u> and CLEC are parties to an Interconnection Agreement under Sections 251 and 252 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"), effective November 5, 2006 and as subsequently amended (the "Agreement"); and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises and mutual agreements set forth herein, the Parties agree to amend the Agreement as follows:

- 1. The Amendment is composed of the foregoing recitals, the terms and conditions, contained within, and Exhibit A and Exhibit B Pricing Sheet immediately following, all of which are hereby incorporated in this Amendment by this reference and constitute a part of this Amendment.
- 2. The Parties agree to add the following definition to the General Terms and Conditions of the Interconnection Agreement:
 - <u>"AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE"</u> means the AT&T owned ILEC doing business in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee.
- 3. The Parties agree to add Exhibit A Intercarrier Compensation for Wholesale Local Switching as Exhibit E to Attachment 3 of the Agreement.
- 4. The Parties agree to add the rates for Local Interconnection (Call Transport and Termination) for Wholesale Local Switching in <u>AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE</u> as set forth in Exhibit B, the AT&T Pricing Sheet for the State of Tennessee.
- 5. The Parties agree to replace Section 18 of the General Terms and Conditions to the Agreement with the following language:

18. Notices

- Notices given by one Party to the other Party under this Agreement shall be in writing (unless specifically provided otherwise herein), and unless otherwise expressly required by this Agreement to be delivered to another representative or point of contact, shall be pursuant to at least one of the following methods:
 - delivered personally, delivered by express delivery service or mailed via certified mail or first class U.S. Postal Service, with postage prepaid and a return receipt requested.
 - 18.1.2 delivered by facsimile provided <u>AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE</u> has provided such information in Section 18.3 below.
 - 18.1.3 delivered by electronic mail (email) provided <u>AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE</u> has provided such information in Section 18.3 below.
- 18.2 Notices will be deemed given as of the earliest of:
 - 18.2.1 the date of actual receipt;
 - 18.2.2 the next Business Day when sent via express delivery service;
 - 18.2.3 five (5) calendar days after mailing in the case of first class or certified U.S. Postal Service; or

- 18.2.4 on the date set forth on the confirmation produced by the sending facsimile machine when delivered by facsimile prior to 5:00 p.m. in the recipient's time zone, but the next Business Day when delivered by facsimile at 5:00 p.m. or later in the recipient's time zone.
- 18.2.5 notice by email shall be effective on the date it is officially recorded as delivered by delivery receipt and in the absence of such record of delivery, it shall be presumed to have been delivered on the date sent to AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE by Carrier.
- 18.3 Notices will be addressed to the Parties as follows:

| NOTICE CONTACT | CARRIER CONTACT |
|-----------------------|---|
| NAME/TITLE | Daniel J. Higgins II AVP, Verizon Partner Solution |
| STREET ADDRESS | One Verizon Way |
| CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE | Basking Ridge, NJ 07920 |
| PHONE NUMBER* | 704-510-8550 |
| FACSIMILE NUMBER | NA |
| EMAIL ADDRESS | Daniel.higgins@verizon.com |

| | AT&T CONTACT |
|------------------|---|
| NAME/TITLE | Contract Management ATTN: Notices Manager |
| FACSIMILE NUMBER | 214-712-5792 |
| EMAIL ADDRESS | The current email address as provided on AT&T's CLEC Online website |

^{*}Informational only and not to be considered as an official notice vehicle under this Section.

- Either Party may unilaterally change its designated contact name, address, email address (AT&T only), and/or facsimile number (AT&T only) for the receipt of Notices by giving written Notice to the other Party in compliance with this Section 18. Unless explicitly stated otherwise, any change to the designated contact name, address, email address, and/or facsimile number will replace such information currently on file. Any Notice to change the designated contact name, address, email address (AT&T only) and/or facsimile number (AT&T only) for the receipt of Notices shall be deemed effective ten (10) calendar days following receipt by the other Party.
- In addition, CARRIER agrees that it is responsible for providing AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE with CARRIER'S OCN and ACNA numbers for the States in which CARRIER is authorized to do business and in which CARRIER is requesting that this Agreement apply. In the event that CARRIER wants to change and/or add to the OCN and/or ACNA information in the CLEC Profile, CARRIER shall send written notice to AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE to be received at least thirty (30) days prior to the change and/or addition in accordance with this Section18, notice provision; CARRIER shall also update its CLEC Profile through the applicable form and/or web-based interface.
 - 18.5.1 CARRIER may not order services under a new account and/or subsequent state certification, established in accordance with this Section until thirty (30) days after all information specified in this Section is received from CARRIER.
 - 18.5.2 CARRIER may be able to place orders for certain services in <u>AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE</u> without having properly updated the CLEC Profile; however, at any time during the term of

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this Agreement without additional notice AT&T may at its discretion eliminate such functionality. At such time, if CARRIER has not properly updated its CLEC Profile, ordering capabilities will cease, and CARRIER will not be able to place orders until thirty (30) days after CARRIER has properly updated its CLEC Profile.

- AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE communicates official information to CARRIERs via its Accessible Letter, or other applicable, notification processes. These processes involve electronic transmission and/or posting to the AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE CLEC Online website, inclusive of a variety of subjects including changes on business processes and policies, and other product/service related notices not requiring an amendment to this Agreement.
- 18.7 CARRIER may designate up to a maximum of ten (10) recipients for Accessible Letter notification via e-mail.
- 6. EXCEPT AS MODIFIED HEREIN, ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE UNDERLYING AGREEMENT SHALL REMAIN UNCHANGED AND IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.
- 7. Reservation of Rights. In entering into this Amendment, neither Party waives, and each Party expressly reserves, any rights, remedies or arguments it may have at law or under the intervening law or regulatory change provisions in the underlying Agreement (including intervening law rights asserted by either Party via written notice predating this Amendment) with respect to any orders, decisions, legislation or proceedings and any remands thereof, which the Parties have not yet fully incorporated into this Agreement or which may be the subject of further review.
- 8. This Amendment shall not modify or extend the Effective Date or Term of the underlying Agreement, but rather, shall be coterminous with such Agreement.
- 9. This Amendment shall be filed with and is subject to approval by the state Commission and shall become effective ten (10) days following approval by such Commission.

Amendment Exhibit A –(Exhibit E to Attachment 3) to AT&T 9-STATE
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1.0 <u>Intercarrier Compensation for Wholesale Local Switching Traffic</u>

- Where CLEC purchases local switching from <u>AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE</u> either on a stand alone basis or in combination pursuant to the terms of a separately negotiated commercial agreement (herein after referred to as "Wholesale Local Switching" or "switching on a wholesale basis"), CLEC shall be solely responsible in its discretion to establish agreements with and deal directly with Third Party carriers, such as independent companies, ILECs, CMRS or wireless carriers and other CLECs, for purposes of reciprocal compensation for calls originated by or terminated to the End Users served by such arrangements. <u>AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE</u> is required to provide CLEC with timely, complete and correct information to enable CLEC to meet the requirements of this Section.
- The following intercarrier compensation terms shall apply to all traffic exchanged between <u>AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE</u> and CLEC when CLEC purchases Wholesale Local Switching.
 - 1.2.1 For calls terminating to third parties, such as other CLECs, wireless carriers and independent companies, CLEC shall be solely responsible in its discretion to establish agreements with and deal directly with third party carriers for purposes of intercarrier compensation for calls originated by or terminated to the End Users served by such arrangements. If CLEC does not have such an agreement with a third party carrier and AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE is charged termination charges by a third party terminating a call originated by CLEC, or if such third party carrier bills AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE for terminating such calls, despite the existence of such an agreement, then AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE may, at its option:
 - 1.2.1.1 Pay such charges as billed by the third party carrier and charge End Office Switching or its equivalent to CLEC as set forth in the Pricing Sheet for Wholesale Local Switching; or
 - 1.2.1.2 Pay such charges as billed by the third party carrier and CLEC will reimburse the full amount of such charges within thirty (30) days of <u>AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE</u>'s request for reimbursement.
 - 1.2.2 The following reciprocal compensation terms shall apply to all traffic exchanged between <u>AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE</u> and CLEC when CLEC purchases local switching from <u>AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE</u> on a wholesale basis.
 - 1.2.2.1 For intra-switch Wholesale Local Switching Traffic exchanged between <u>AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE</u> and CLEC, the Parties agree to impose no call termination charges pertaining to reciprocal compensation on each other.
 - 1.2.3 For inter switch 7 or 10-digit dialed Wholesale Local Switching Traffic originated by CLEC, intercarrier compensation shall apply as follows:
 - 1.2.3.1 For interswitch Wholesale Local Switching Traffic exchanged between AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE and CLEC where CLEC's End User originates a call that is terminated to an AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE End User or to an End User served by AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE resold services in the AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE area, CLEC shall compensate AT&T for such traffic at the End Office Switching rate or its equivalent as set forth in the Pricing Sheet for Wholesale Local Switching.
 - 1.2.3.2 For calls originated by CLEC and terminating to CLEC where such a third party CLEC purchases Wholesale Local Switching from AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE shall charge CLEC for End Office Switching or its equivalent as set forth in the Pricing Sheet for Wholesale Local Switching at the terminating end office. AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE shall not charge the terminating third party CLEC for End Office Switching or its equivalent at the terminating end office.
 - 1.2.4 For inter switch 7 or 10-digit dialed Wholesale Local Switching Traffic terminated by CLEC, intercarrier compensation shall apply as follows:

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- 1.2.4.1 For calls originated by an <u>AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE</u> End User or by an End User served by <u>AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE</u> resold services, <u>AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE</u> shall not charge CLEC for End Office Switching at the terminating end office for use of the network component; therefore, CLEC may not charge <u>AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE</u> intercarrier compensation or any other charges for termination of such calls.
- 1.2.4.2 For calls originated by a third party CLEC where such third party CLEC purchases Wholesale Local Switching from <u>AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE</u> to provide service to its End User, <u>AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE</u> shall not charge CLEC for End Office Switching at the terminating end office for use of the network component; therefore, CLEC shall not charge the originating third party CLEC or <u>AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE</u> intercarrier compensation or any other charges for termination of such calls.
- 1.2.5 For intraLATA 1+ dialed Wholesale Local Switching Traffic terminating to CLEC where the originating carrier uses <u>AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE</u>'s Carrier Identification Code (CIC) for its End User's LPIC, then intercarrier compensation shall apply as follows:
 - 1.2.5.1 For calls originated by an AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE End User or by an End User served by AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE resold services, AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE shall charge CLEC for End Office Switching or its equivalent as set forth in the Pricing Sheet for Wholesale Local Switching at the terminating end office for use of the end office switching network components used in terminating such calls. CLEC may charge AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE for intercarrier compensation at the rate for End Office Switching or its equivalent as set forth in the Pricing Sheet for Wholesale Local Switching. CLEC shall not charge originating or terminating switched access rates to AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE for termination of those calls.
- 1.2.6 For intraLATA 1+ dialed Wholesale Local Switching Traffic originated by CLEC where CLEC uses <u>AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE</u> Carrier Identification Code (CIC) for its End User's Local Preferred Interexchange Carrier (LPIC), intercarrier compensation shall apply as follows:
 - 1.2.6.1 For calls terminating to <u>AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE</u> or to an End User served by <u>AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE</u> resold services, <u>AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE</u> shall charge CLEC for End Office Switching or its equivalent as set forth in the Pricing Sheet for Wholesale Local Switching.
 - 1.2.6.2 For calls terminating to a third party CLEC where such third party CLEC is utilizing AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE Wholesale Local Switching to provide service to its End User, AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE shall charge CLEC for End Office Switching or its equivalent as set forth in the Pricing Sheet for Wholesale Local Switching. AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE will not charge the terminating third party CLEC for End Office Switching at the terminating end office.
- For calls originated by or terminating to interexchange carriers (IXCs) through a switched access service arrangement, CLEC may bill the IXC in accordance with the CLEC's tariff and will not bill AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE any charges for such calls. CLEC shall pay AT&T SOUTHEAST REGION 9-STATE network in accordance with the rates set forth in the Pricing Sheet for Wholesale Local Switching.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

| I hereby certify that on Fe | bruary 23, 2015, a copy of the foregoing document was served |
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| on the following, via the method | indicated: |
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