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Mr. David Waddell Executive Secretary Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, Tenn. 37243-0505

Dear Mr. Waddell:

Attached is United Telephone-Southeast, Inc.'s responses to the February 4, 1997, Dated Discovery Requests of AT&T Communications of the South Central States, Inc. and the Consumer Advocate regarding United's proposed Tariff No. 96-201, Annual Price Cap Adjustment, Docket No. 96-01423. Proprietary information has been marked and should be handled accordingly.

If there are any questions regarding this information, please contact Steve Parrott at 919/554-7039.

Sincerely,

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Has United, then, performed any cost studies since January 1990 for intrastate switched access charge elements that are not directly affected by the tariffs in this docket? If so, please produce all such studies.

Response:

United objects to the request for the production of cost studies for access elements that are not affected by the tariffs proposed in this case on the grounds that the information requested is not relevant.

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Item 1. Requests to Admit. - Please admit or deny the following:

(a) That by its Order of October 13, 1995 in docket 95-02616 the Tennessee Public Service Commission approved price regulation for United Telephone-Southeast, Inc.

Response: Admit.

(b) That by its Order of October 13, 1995 in docket 95-02616 the Tennessee Public Service Commission found that United Telephone-Southeast's rates in effect as of June 6, 1995 for all Basic Local Exchange Telephone Services (Basic Services) and Non-Basic Services as defined in Tenn. Code Ann. 65-5-208 were the Company's initial rates under price regulation..

Response: Admit.

(c) That Tenn. Code Ann. 65-5-208 defines a residential access line as a basic service.

Response: Admit.

(d) That on or before June 6, 1995 residential service was determined in accordance with the definitions in United Telephone-Southeast's tariffs and the tariffed definition affected the rates charged residential customers.

Response: Deny. Residential service is not specifically defined; however, regulations in Section U2 of United Telephone-Southeast, Inc.'s General Subscriber Services Tariff outline the appropriate application of residence service rates.

(e) That the tariffed prices for flat rate residential access lines on June 6, 1995 were as follows:

Exchange	Rate Group	Monthly Rate per Line*
Blountville	15	13.09
Limestone	14	12.77
Church Hill	13	12.44
Kingsport	13	12.44
Fall Branch	13	12.44
Midway(Sullivan County)	13	12.44
Midway(Washington County)	13	12.44
Sullivan Gardens	13	12.44

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Bluff City	12	12.01
Bristol	12	12.01
Johnson City	12	12.01
Jonesborough	12	12.01
Baileyton	10	11.21
Greeneville	10	11.21
Mosheim	10	11.21
Butler	9	10.70
Elizabethton	9	10.70
Hampton	9	10.70
Roan Mountain	9	10.70
Stoney Creek	9	10.70
Erwin	4	8.91
Mountain City	3	8.58

^{*}United Telephone-Southeast, Inc. Tennessee Tariffs U3.3.1 Flat Rate Residential Service.

Identify by exchange any of the rates as listed above with which United Telephone-Southeast disagrees.

Response: Admit.

(f) That at June 6, 1995 United Telephone-Southeast's tariffs approved by the Tennessee Public Service Commission did not limit the number of residential access lines that could terminate at a household location.

Response: United objects to responding to this question because the question is not relevant to the issues in this proceeding.

g) That the tariffed price per line for flat rate residential access lines on June 6, 1995 terminating at household locations with 6 or more access lines were as follows:

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