COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

PETITION BY MCI FOR ARBITRATION OF CERTAIN TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF A PROPOSED AGREEMENT WITH GTE SOUTH INCORPORATED CONCERNING INTERCONNECTION AND RESALE UNDER THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996

CASE NO. 96-440

ORDER

By Order entered October 18, 1996, the Commission required that each party to this proceeding submit, in contract form, its best and final offer on each disputed issue not later than 10 days after the adjournment of the public hearing. The hearing is estimated to adjourn November 13, 1996, making the best and final offer due November 23, 1996. The Commission finds that in this case a specific date should be mandated.

Therefore, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED to be entered <u>nunc pro tunc</u> that by November 22, 1996, each party shall submit, in contract form, its best and final offer on each disputed issue. Any accompanying written explanation of continued disagreement on a specific issue shall be as concise as possible.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 7th day of November, 1996.

ATTEST:

Executive Director

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

For the Commission