COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPROVAL OF THE)
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT)
NEGOTIATED BY BELLSOUTH)
TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. AND) CASE NO. 98-094
NETWORK TELEPHONE)
CORPORATION PURSUANT TO)
SECTIONS 251 AND 252 OF THE)
TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996)

<u>O R D E R</u>

On July 9, 1998, the Commission approved an interconnection agreement between BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") and Network Telephone Corporation ("Network Telephone"). On January 21, 2000 and February 11, 2000, BellSouth and Network Telephone submitted to the Commission amendments to their interconnection agreement. The amendments were negotiated pursuant to the Telecommunications Act of 1996 ("1996 Act"), 47 U.S.C. Sections 251 and 252. Section 252(e) of the 1996 Act requires the parties to an interconnection agreement adopted by negotiation to submit the agreement for approval to the Commission.

The Commission has reviewed the amendments and finds that no portion thereof discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement. The Commission also finds that the implementation of these amendments is consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.

The Commission, having been otherwise sufficiently advised, HEREBY ORDERS that:

- 1. The amendments are approved.
- 2. Within 10 days of the date of this Order, BellSouth shall file with the Commission a true and complete copy of the amendments approved herein in Microsoft® Word 97 format on 3.5-inch high-density diskette.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 7th day of March, 2000.

By the Commission

ATTEST:		
Executive Director		