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. 2000-058
AVANA COMMUNICATIONS)
CORPORATION, INC. PURSUANT TO)
SECTIONS 251 AND 252 OF THE)
TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996)

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

On February 7, 2000, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") and AVANA Communications Corporation, Inc. ("AVANA") submitted to the Commission their negotiated agreement for interconnection of their networks, the unbundling of specific network elements, and the resale of BellSouth's services. AVANA is adopting the interconnection agreement between BellSouth and DIECA Communications, Inc. d/b/a Covad Communications Company dated December 1, 1998 in its entirety, with the exception of Attachment 4 and any related amendments. The agreement was 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 agreement 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 the agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.

AVANA must comply with all relevant Commission mandates for serving in this

Commonwealth.

The Commission, having been otherwise sufficiently advised, HEREBY ORDERS

that:

1. The negotiated agreement between BellSouth and AVANA is approved.

2. AVANA shall file a tariff for local service prior to providing local service giving

30 days' notice to the Commission and shall comply with all Commission regulations and

orders as directed.

3. Within 10 days of the date of this Order, BellSouth shall file with the

Commission a true and complete copy of the agreement approved herein in Microsoft®

Word 97 format on 3.5-inch high-density diskette.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 3rd day of April, 2000.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director