COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

PETITION OF SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS)
COMPANY L.P. FOR ARBITRATION WITH)
BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.)
CASE NO. 2000-00480
PURSUANT TO SECTION 252(b) OF THE)
TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996)

ORDER

On June 14, 2002, Sprint Communications Company L.P. (Sprint) and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (BellSouth) submitted to the Commission an amendment to their negotiated agreement for interconnection. The amendment 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 amendment and finds that no portion of it discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the amendment. The Commission also finds that the implementation of this amendment is consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.

The Commission, having been otherwise sufficiently advised, HEREBY ORDERS that the negotiated amendment between BellSouth and Sprint is approved and is effective as of the date of this Order.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 25th day of June, 2002.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director