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Hon. Beth O'Donnell
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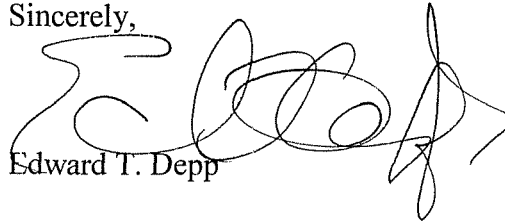
Re: *In the Matter of: Petition of Brandenburg Telephone Company for Arbitration of Certain Terms and Conditions of Proposed Interconnection Agreement with T-Mobile USA, Inc., Pursuant to the Communications Act of 1934, as Amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996; Case No. 2006-~~00757~~ 00789*

Dear Executive Director O'Donnell:

I have enclosed for filing in the above-styled case the original and eleven (11) copies of the Arbitration Petition of Brandenburg Telephone Company. Please file stamp one of the enclosed copies and return it to us in the enclosed, self addressed stamped envelope.

Thank you, and if you have any questions, please call me.

Sincerely,



Edward T. Depp

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Enclosure

cc: John E. Selent, Esq. (w/o encl.)
Holly C. Wallace, Esq. (w/o encl.)

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**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

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In the Matter of:

Petition of Brandenburg Telephone Company)
for Arbitration of Certain Terms and)
Conditions of Proposed Interconnection)
Agreement with T-Mobile USA, Inc. Pursuant)
to the Communications Act of 1934,)
as Amended by the Telecommunications)
Act of 1996)

Case No. 2006-00 289
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**ARBITRATION PETITION OF
BRANDENBURG TELEPHONE COMPANY**

Brandenburg Telephone Company ("Brandenburg"), by counsel, petitions the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Kentucky (the "Commission") pursuant to Section 252(b)¹ of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the "Act"), to arbitrate certain terms and conditions of a proposed interconnection agreement between Brandenburg and T-Mobile USA, Inc. ("T-Mobile").

PARTIES

1. Petitioner Brandenburg's full name and its official business address are as follows:

Brandenburg Telephone Company
200 Telco Drive
Brandenburg, KY 40108

Brandenburg is a Kentucky corporation, and it is authorized by the Commission to provide local exchange service in Kentucky. Brandenburg is, and at all times relevant has been, a rural local exchange carrier ("LEC") under the terms of the Act.

2. The name, address, and contact number for Brandenburg's representatives in this proceeding are as follows:

¹ 47 U.S.C. § 252(b)

John E. Selent
Edward T. Depp
Holly C. Wallace
DINSMORE & SHOHL LLP
1400 PNC Plaza
500 W. Jefferson Street
Louisville, KY 40202
(502) 540-2300 (Telephone)
(502) 585-2207 (Facsimile)

3. Respondent T-Mobile's full name and its official business address are as follows:

T-Mobile USA, Inc.
12920 SE 38th Street
Bellevue, WA 98006

T-Mobile is a foreign corporation registered to do business in Kentucky, and it is authorized by the Commission to provide commercial mobile radio service ("CMRS") in Kentucky. T-Mobile is, and at all times relevant has been, a CMRS provider under the terms of the Act.

4. The name and address for T-Mobile's point of contact and presumed representative in this proceeding is as follows:

Dan Williams
T-Mobile
12920 SE 38th Street
Bellevue, WA 98006
(425) 383-5784 (Telephone)
(425) 383-4840 (Facsimile)

JURISDICTION

5. The Commission has jurisdiction over Brandenburg's petition pursuant to section 252(b) of the Act. This petition is timely filed during the period from the 135th to the 160th day

after January 1, 2006, the date on which Brandenburg received T-Mobile's bona fide request for interconnection.²

NEGOTIATIONS

6. The parties agree that the statutory bona fide negotiation window began on January 1, 2006.³

7. By letter dated March 1, 2006, Brandenburg notified T-Mobile that it already had a wireless interconnection agreement in place with Brandenburg, and that agreement should address any wireless interconnection issues that may arise.⁴

8. On April 18, 2006, T-Mobile responded to Brandenburg's letter and provided notice of its termination of the existing interconnection agreement between the companies.⁵

9. In response to that April 18, 2006 letter, counsel to Brandenburg responded to T-Mobile, posing questions regarding T-Mobile's interconnection intentions with respect to Brandenburg. Specifically, counsel to Brandenburg inquired as to when T-Mobile would disconnect the interconnection facilities that are subject of the interconnection agreement, or – if T-Mobile did not intend to disconnect the interconnection facilities – what terms and conditions T-Mobile expected to apply after October 1, 2006.⁶

10. As of this date, T-Mobile has not responded to that letter.

11. Accordingly, the terms of an interconnection agreement between the parties are unresolved, and any issues are unidentified.

² See Section 3.01 of Agreement, *In the Matter of: Petition of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. Seeking Resolution of Third Party Transit Traffic Issues*, Public Service Commission Case No. 2003-00045, attached hereto as Exhibit 1; see also February 23, 2006 letter from Greg Tedesco to J.D. Tobin, Jr., attached hereto as Exhibit 2.

³ *Id.*

⁴ See March 1, 2006 letter from Allison T. Willoughby to Greg Tedesco, attached hereto as Exhibit 3.

⁵ See April 18, 2006 letter from Dan Williams, Esq., to Allison T. Willoughby, attached hereto as Exhibit 4.

⁶ See May 15, 2006 letter from Edward T. Depp, Esq., to Dan Williams, Esq., attached hereto as Exhibit 5.

12. Given the December 31, 2006 expiration of the agreement approved by the Commission in Case No. 2003-00045, it is imperative that the parties have a valid and effective interconnection agreement by the end of this year.

REQUEST FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Brandenburg respectfully requests that the Commission grant the following relief:

A. That the Commission conclude the arbitration of the unresolved issues between Brandenburg and T-Mobile within nine months of January 1, 2006, the date on which Brandenburg received the interconnection request.

B. That the Commission issue an order directing the parties to submit a final agreement for a proposed interconnection agreement.

C. That the Commission retain jurisdiction of this arbitration until the parties have submitted an agreement for approval by the Commission in accordance with section 252(e) of the Act.

D. That the Commission further retain jurisdiction of this arbitration and the parties hereto until T-Mobile has complied with all implementation time frames specified in the arbitrated agreement and fully implemented the agreement.

E. That the Commission take such other and further action and order such relief as it deems appropriate under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted this 8th day of June, 2006.



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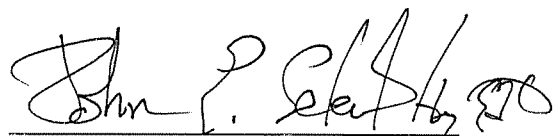
**COUNSEL TO BRANDENBURG TELEPHONE
COMPANY**

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing was served by Federal Express and electronic mail on this 8th day of June, 2006, to the following individual(s):

Dan Williams (dan.williams@t-mobile.com)
T-Mobile
12920 SE 38th Street
Bellevue, WA 98006
(425) 383-5784 (Telephone)
(425) 383-4840 (Facsimile)

Counsel to T-Mobile USA, Inc.



**COUNSEL TO BRANDENBURG
TELEPHONE COMPANY**

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE
KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:)
)
Petition of BellSouth Telecommunications,) Case No. 2003-00045
Inc. Seeking Resolution of Third Party)
Transit Traffic Issues)

AGREEMENT

This Agreement is made and entered into by and between BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"), the Commercial Mobile Radio Service ("CMRS") providers listed in Exhibit A hereto ("Signatory CMRS Providers"), and the rural independent local exchange carriers listed in Exhibit B hereto ("Rural LECs"), on their own behalf and on behalf of their past, present and future agents, employees, successors, assigns and anyone claiming for the benefit of any of them (collectively referred to as "the Parties").

Whereas, BellSouth has entered into various interconnection agreements with CMRS Providers under which BellSouth has offered and is providing intermediary tandem switching and transport services to such CMRS Providers for the delivery of CMRS Provider Traffic to the Rural LECs' networks for termination.

Whereas, under the "Kentucky Restructured Settlement Plan," BellSouth and the Rural LECs have established interconnection facilities and an interconnection point between their networks, and agreed to contractual terms and conditions pursuant to the "Kentucky Restructured Settlement Plan"; and

Whereas, by this Agreement, the Parties are agreeing to terms, as set forth herein, under which BellSouth may and shall deliver CMRS Provider Traffic, to the extent such traffic is delivered to BellSouth by the CMRS Providers, to the networks of the Rural LECs over the existing facilities referred to above.

Now, therefore, in consideration of the mutual agreements, undertakings and representations contained herein, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

1.00 Definitions

For purposes of this Agreement only, the Parties agree to utilize the definitions set forth in this Section 1.00.

1.01 "Act" refers to the Communications Act of 1934 as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

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1.02 "CMRS Provider" is a telecommunications carrier providing commercial mobile radio service within the meaning of 47 C.F.R. § 20, et seq.

1.03 "CMRS Provider Traffic" is defined as Telecommunications traffic originated by a subscriber of a CMRS Provider for which BellSouth provides to a Signatory CMRS Provider intermediary tandem switching, and transport (i.e., transit functions) for delivery of such traffic to a Rural LEC for termination on the Rural LEC's network over the facilities established between BellSouth and the Rural LEC for such purposes, according to the terms of this Agreement.

1.04 "Commission" or "KPSC" means the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

1.05 "Covered CMRS Provider Traffic" is defined as CMRS Provider Traffic of a Signatory CMRS Provider for which BellSouth generates and delivers to the terminating Rural LEC accurate industry standard call detail records identifying the originating CMRS Provider and minutes of use for such CMRS Provider Traffic (currently known as "110101 format message and billing records").

1.06 "Kentucky Restructured Settlement Plan" or "KRSP" is the Order of the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Kentucky dated January 23, 1991, in Phase I of Administrative Case No. 323.

1.07 "Rural LECs" are defined as those local exchange companies ("LECs") as set forth in Exhibit B to this Agreement.

1.08 "Signatory CMRS Providers" are defined as the Commercial Mobile Radio Service Providers as set forth in Exhibit A to this Agreement.

1.09 "Telecommunications" is as defined in the Act.

2.00 Specific Terms

2.01 Pursuant to this Agreement, BellSouth may deliver, for termination, Signatory CMRS Provider Traffic to the Rural LECs' networks in the same manner, and over the same trunking facilities, as established pursuant to the KRSP Plan.

2.02 For purposes of this Agreement, Signatory CMRS Providers are limited to those CMRS providers that possess a CMRS license for CMRS service within a Major Trading Area(s) within Kentucky.

2.03 Reserved For Future Use.

2.04 BellSouth may deliver to the Rural LECs Signatory CMRS Provider Traffic for which BellSouth does not provide industry standard call detail records identifying the originating CMRS Provider and the minutes of CMRS Provider Traffic for each such provider (currently

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known as "110101 format message billing records") subject to all of the following terms: (a) BellSouth must establish mutually agreeable exchange of data and administrative processes with the Rural LECs to provide complete and accurate documentation of such traffic that will permit the Rural LECs to track, verify, and audit such CMRS Provider Traffic; and (b) the Rural LECs will bill BellSouth (or in those instances where the Rural LEC does not bill BellSouth, BellSouth will provide compensation through the monthly settlement process with that Rural LEC) and BellSouth shall compensate the Rural LECs in the same manner that it compensates the Rural LECs for intrastate access traffic as described in Section 2.01 above, provided, however, that the rate at which such CMRS Provider Traffic is compensated shall be \$0.027 per minute of use following the Effective Date of this Agreement and continuing through December 31, 2005. BellSouth will compensate the Rural LECs at a rate of \$0.022 per minute of use from January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006. The Rural LECs will adjust the billing for the total traffic over the KRSP facility which is billed (or due through settlements), and due from, BellSouth to account for the minutes of CMRS Provider Traffic that is within the scope of this paragraph. BellSouth shall make payment to the Rural LECs pursuant to this Section 2.04, in immediately available U.S. funds, no later than 30 days after the invoice date. BellSouth shall continue to bill each Signatory CMRS Provider amounts due BellSouth from the Signatory CMRS Provider under the terms of the Interconnection Agreement between BellSouth and the CMRS Provider, including all effective Annexes and Attachments thereto.

2.05 The Rural LECs agree not to seek compensation from a Signatory CMRS Provider for (1) any CMRS Provider Traffic delivered by BellSouth to the Rural LECs pursuant to this Agreement; or (2) any CMRS Provider Traffic delivered by BellSouth to the Rural LECs prior to the Effective Date of this Agreement for which BellSouth compensates or has previously compensated the Rural LECs upon the same terms and conditions required of traffic terminated under the KRSP or on terms which are otherwise agreed to by the Rural LECs.

2.06 Except as required by this Agreement, BellSouth and the Signatory CMRS Providers will treat CMRS Provider Traffic, including Covered CMRS Provider Traffic, consistent with the terms of the respective interconnection agreements between BellSouth and the Signatory CMRS Providers and all effective Annexes and Attachments thereto, including, but not limited to, the network provisioning, transport, termination, and billing and collection of such traffic.

2.07 Beginning on the Effective Date of this Agreement, and ending on December 31, 2005, the Rural LECs shall invoice, and BellSouth shall make payment to the Rural LECs for Covered CMRS Provider Traffic pursuant to this Section in immediately available U.S. funds, no later than thirty (30) days after the invoice date, at a rate of \$0.025 per minute of use unless an interconnection agreement between the Signatory CMRS Provider and the Rural LEC governs pursuant to the provisions and conditions set forth in Section 2.08. Beginning on January 1, 2006, and ending on December 31, 2006, and unless an interconnection agreement between the Signatory CMRS Provider and the Rural LEC governs pursuant to the provisions and conditions set forth in Section 2.08, the Rural LECs shall invoice, and BellSouth shall make payment to the Rural LECs pursuant to this Section for Covered CMRS Provider Traffic in immediately available U.S. funds, no later than thirty (30) days after the invoice date, at a rate of \$0.015 per

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minute of use. Subject to the audit provisions set forth below in this subsection, the Signatory CMRS Providers and the Rural LECs agree to accept BellSouth's measurement of minutes of use and industry standard call detail records as the basis for the billing from and compensation to the Rural LECs for Covered CMRS Provider Traffic as set forth in this Section. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any party may request an audit of such measurements within twelve months of the applicable billing date. The Rural LECs will deduct the minutes of use for Covered CMRS Provider Traffic described in this Section from the total KRSP facility minutes of use which is billed to (or due through settlements), and due from, BellSouth. Beginning on the Effective Date of this Agreement and through the period ending on December 31, 2006, the Signatory CMRS Providers shall compensate BellSouth for Covered CMRS Provider Traffic at a rate of \$0.015 per minute of use, unless an interconnection agreement between the Signatory CMRS Provider and the Rural LEC governs pursuant to the provisions and conditions set forth in Section 2.08. BellSouth shall continue to bill each Signatory CMRS Provider amounts due BellSouth from the Signatory CMRS Provider for transit functions performed by BellSouth under the terms of the interconnection agreement between BellSouth and the Signatory CMRS Provider, including all effective Annexes and Attachments.

2.08 Nothing herein shall affect, modify, or supercede any existing interconnection agreement between a Signatory CMRS Provider and a Rural LEC. Such existing interconnection agreements shall continue in full force and effect in accordance with the existing terms and conditions contained in such agreements. Nothing herein shall affect any Party's right to seek interconnection with any carrier, including with a carrier that is a Party to this Agreement, or preclude any Party from negotiating an interconnection agreement with another Party consistent with Sections 251 and 252 of the Act. Moreover, in the event that a Signatory CMRS Provider and a Rural LEC execute an interconnection agreement after the Effective Date of this Agreement, such agreement shall supersede the rights and obligations set forth in this Agreement only to the extent the interconnection agreement specifically provides for the termination of CMRS Provider Traffic otherwise covered by this Agreement.

2.09 This Agreement applies solely to the Telecommunications traffic specifically defined within the scope of this Agreement. As such, the terms of this Agreement do not apply to any other facilities, any other traffic that is switched or transported over any other facilities, or to traffic of any carrier that is not a CMRS Provider. For any other CMRS Provider Traffic that BellSouth delivers to a Rural LEC for termination that is not covered under Sections 2.04 and 2.07 of this Agreement (i.e., traffic from a CMRS Provider that is not a signatory to this Agreement), BellSouth agrees to compensate the Rural LECs for such traffic during the term of this Agreement under the same terms and conditions as traffic terminated by BellSouth under the KRSP.

2.10 For Covered CMRS Provider Traffic, BellSouth is responsible for providing to the appropriate terminating Rural LEC accurate industry standard call detail records identifying the originating CMRS Provider and the minutes of CMRS Provider Traffic for each such provider (currently known as "110101 format message and billing records"). BellSouth will provide such records to the terminating Rural LEC not later than 60 days after such usage occurs. The Signatory CMRS Providers are responsible for providing to BellSouth complete and

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accurate information regarding the billing address and billing contacts for the Signatory CMRS Providers. BellSouth will provide its billing address and contact information to the Rural LECs.

2.11 The terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement only apply on and after the Effective Date of this Agreement. With respect to the Signatory CMRS Providers, BellSouth agrees not to seek any additional compensation from a Signatory CMRS Provider for any Covered CMRS Provider Traffic for which BellSouth has paid, or has agreed to pay, the Rural LECs prior to the Effective Date of this Agreement.

2.12 Any undisputed charges incurred pursuant to this Agreement that are not timely paid by BellSouth to the Rural LECs, or are not timely paid by a Signatory CMRS Provider to BellSouth, will accrue interest from the date such amounts were due at the lesser of (i) one and one-half percent (1-1/2%) per month or (ii) the highest rate of interest that may be charged under applicable law. The Parties agree that interest shall accrue and be paid on all overdue disputed amounts that are resolved in favor of the non-disputing party.

3.00 Term and Termination of the Agreement

3.01 This Agreement will become effective on the first calendar day of the month following KPSC approval (the "Effective Date"). This Agreement has an absolute termination date of December 31, 2006 regardless of, and in addition to, any other provisions herein under which this Agreement may be terminated by any Party. Therefore, all duties, rights, and obligations hereunder terminate on December 31, 2006. BellSouth and the Rural LECs shall commence no later than January 1, 2006 the negotiation of interconnection agreements as may be necessary to govern BellSouth's provision of transit service defining the relative rights and responsibilities between BellSouth and the Rural LECs with respect to any continuing CMRS provider traffic terminated to the Rural LECs. In the event that any Signatory CMRS provider desires to continue to route CMRS Provider Traffic destined for the Rural LECs through BellSouth's network after the expiration of this Agreement, the Signatory CMRS provider must initiate interconnection negotiations with the Rural LECs consistent with Section 251 and Section 252 of the Act by no later than January 1, 2006. Such negotiations, which may include but are not limited to rates, terms, and conditions of interconnection between and among the Parties, shall be conducted in good faith. In the event such negotiations are unsuccessful and the Commission is asked to arbitrate any open issues, the Parties shall submit to the arbitration processes and deadlines as set forth in Section 252(b) of the Act to settle any open issues relating to interconnection and compensation arrangements between and among the Parties. For purposes of determining all deadlines related to the negotiation and arbitration pursuant to this Section, the request date for all negotiations shall be deemed to be January 1, 2006 unless the actual request date for negotiations under Section 251 and 252 of the Act is earlier. The Parties agree that this Agreement will not prejudice the negotiations in any way.

3.02 In the event of Default by a Party, as defined below in this subsection, any of the non-defaulting Parties may terminate any and all terms and conditions of this Agreement with respect to the defaulting Party provided that a non-defaulting Party seeking termination with respect to the defaulting Party notifies the defaulting Party and the KPSC and any other affected

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Party in writing of the Default, the defaulting Party does not cure the alleged Default with thirty (30) days after receipt of such written notice, and the KPSC consents to the termination. With respect to a Defaulting Party, Default is defined as: (a) that Party's material breach of any of the material terms of this Agreement, including the compensation terms; or (b) any aspect of a Party's operations or actions that are determined by a court with proper jurisdiction or the Commission to be unlawful or not authorized.

3.03 The Parties agree to the terms and conditions of this Agreement related to the network arrangement for CMRS Provider Traffic, including specifically, but not limited to, BellSouth's provision of tandem switching of CMRS Provider Traffic and the delivery of that CMRS Provider Traffic to the Rural LECs over the same trunks that BellSouth uses to deliver its own interexchange service traffic, and compensation arrangements between and among the Parties for the Rural LEC's termination of such CMRS Provider Traffic, is a voluntary arrangement and represents a compromise between and among the Parties for the limited purpose of this Agreement, and does not create and should not be construed to create any obligations that do not otherwise apply to any Party. Notwithstanding the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, each Party has the right, at its sole discretion, to modify its network (including but not limited to the right to design and deploy its own network and facilities, upgrade its network, modify its end office and tandem switching hierarchy and/or architecture, modify trunking arrangements with other carriers, install new equipment or software, maintain its network, determine and designate the tandem switch(es) which its end offices will subtend for any traffic), except that the Parties agree for the limited term during which this Agreement remains in place between and among the Parties, they will not make any such modifications which materially alter, interfere with, disrupt, or discontinue the ability of the Signatory CMRS Providers to deliver CMRS Provider Traffic to the Rural LECs via BellSouth's network. This agreement to commit to keep in place these network arrangements for the limited term of this Agreement does not affect any Party's right to modify such arrangements following the term of this Agreement.

3.04 The Parties understand and agree that this Agreement will be filed with the Commission in Docket No. 2003-00045. The Parties agree that they will support approval of this Agreement before the Commission in settlement of such Docket as it relates to the issues in this Agreement.

4.00 No Waiver

4.01 The Parties agree that this Agreement represents a voluntary arrangement and compromise between and among the Parties, including the terms and conditions for compensation, and any compensation terms hereunder should not be construed as the agreement of any Party as to the appropriateness of such level of compensation.

4.02 Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to create legal or regulatory requirements for the Parties that do not otherwise apply. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver by any of the Parties of any of the rights afforded, or obligations imposed, by Sections 251 or 252 of the Act. The terms of the arrangements set forth in this Agreement shall not prejudice the outcome of any subsequent interconnection negotiations or arbitrations

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between or among the Parties or any Commission arbitration.

4.03 Nothing in this Agreement shall preclude any Party from participating in any Commission proceeding or proceeding before the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") relating to any issue, including matters specifically related to the subject matter of this Agreement or from petitioning the Commission or the FCC to resolve any issue, including matters specifically related to the subject matter of this Agreement. The Parties reach this Agreement without waiving or prejudicing any positions they have taken previously, or may take in the future, in any judicial, legislative, regulatory, or other public forum addressing any matters, including matters specifically related to, or other types of arrangements prescribed in, this Agreement.

5.00 Warranties

5.01 The Parties represent and warrant that they have the sole right and exclusive authority to execute this Agreement and to make or receive payments hereunder.

5.02 The Parties represent and warrant that they have fully read and understand the terms of this Agreement, and have freely and voluntarily executed this Agreement. The Parties represent and warrant that they enter into this Agreement without reliance upon any statement, inducement, promise or representation of the other Party or anyone else not fully expressed herein.

5.03 The Parties agree that the terms and conditions set forth herein will be made available on a nondiscriminatory basis to any CMRS Provider in Kentucky that becomes similarly situated to the Signatory CMRS Providers, provided that such similarly situated CMRS Providers agree to the terms of this Agreement. BellSouth shall provide written notice to the Rural LECs at least 30 days prior to any additional CMRS Provider becoming a party to this Agreement. This Agreement will be amended to include such additional CMRS Providers.

5.04 The Parties agree that in the event that the KPSC or the FCC renders an effective decision establishing the rights and obligations of the originating, terminating and intermediary carriers, then upon request of any Party hereto, the Parties will renegotiate all of the terms and conditions of this Agreement to be consistent with all controlling laws and regulations. In the event that the Parties are unable to reach a new agreement for alternative arrangements, the affected Parties shall petition the KPSC to determine the rights and obligations of the Parties. The effective date of any new agreement will be mutually agreed by the Parties or determined by the KPSC.

6.00 Entire Agreement and Successors in Interest

6.01 This Agreement reflects the entire agreement and understanding between the Parties with respect to the scope of the subject matters addressed herein, supersedes all prior agreements, arrangements, understandings, communications, representations or warranties, both oral and written, related to the subject matter hereof, and shall be binding upon and inure to the

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benefit of the executors, administrators, personal representatives, heirs, assigns, and successors of each Party.

7.00 Severability of Provisions

7.01 The Parties agree that any provision of this Agreement, which is or becomes prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such prohibition or unenforceability, without invalidating the remaining provisions hereof or affecting the validity or enforceability of such provision in any other jurisdiction. In the event of the prohibition or unenforceability of any provision of this Agreement in any jurisdiction, the Parties agree to negotiate in good faith to revise such provision to accomplish the intent of the Parties in a manner permissible and enforceable within such jurisdiction.

8.0 Governing Law

8.01 This Agreement including all matters of construction, validity and performance shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky without giving effect to the choice of law or conflicts of law provisions thereof.

9.0 Additional Documents and Negotiations

9.01 The Parties agree to cooperate fully and execute any and all supplementary documents and to take all additional actions that may be necessary or appropriate to give full force and effect to the terms and intent of this Agreement, including, but not limited to, resolving any and all operational issues associated with the implementation of this Agreement.

9.02 Upon execution of this Agreement, the Parties agree to work cooperatively to identify and resolve any other issues associated with the delivery of traffic between the Parties that is within the scope of this Agreement.

10.0 Counterparts

10.01 This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

11.0 Dispute Resolution

11.01 Any dispute between or among any of the Parties regarding the interpretation or enforcement of this Agreement, or any of its terms and conditions, shall be addressed by good faith negotiation between and among the Parties, in the first instance. Should such negotiations fail to resolve the dispute in a reasonable time, any Party to the dispute may initiate an appropriate action at the KPSC to resolve the dispute. Pending such resolution, all the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect and the Parties shall continue to perform the services described in this Agreement.

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IN WITNESS THEREOF, the Parties have fully executed this Agreement as of _____, 2004.

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

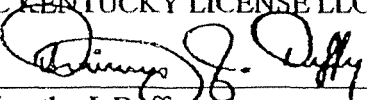
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Title: _____

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EXHIBIT A
Signatory CMRS Providers

AMERICAN CELLULAR CORPORATION
f/k/a ACC KENTUCKY LICENSE LLC

By:  _____
Timothy J. Duffy

Title: Sr. Vice President & CTO

EXHIBIT A
Signatory CMRS Providers

AT&T WIRELESS PCS, LLC, on behalf of itself
and its affiliate, Tritel Communications, Inc.

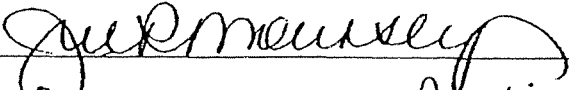
By: 
Title: Director - Industry Relations

EXHIBIT A
Signatory CMRS Providers

BELLSOUTH MOBILITY LLC d/b/a CINGULAR
WIRELESS and BELLSOUTH PERSONAL
COMMUNICATIONS LLC d/b/a CINGULAR
WIRELESS

By: Michael J. VanWinkle

Title: Director - Sem- Network

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EXHIBIT A
Signatory CMRS Providers

SPRINT SPECTRUM L.P., on behalf of itself
and SprintCom, Inc., d/b/a SPRINT PCS

By: W. Richard Moran

Title: Vice President - External Affairs

EXHIBIT B

BALLARD RURAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORP., INC.

By: *Harold E. Parker*

Title: *General Manager*

BRANDENBURG TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.

By: _____

Title: _____

DUO COUNTY TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORP., INC.

By: _____

Title: _____

FOOTHILLS RURAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORP., INC.

By: _____

Title: _____

COALFIELDS TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.

By: _____

Title: _____

EXHIBIT B

BALLARD RURAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORP., INC.

By: _____

Title: _____

BRANDENBURG TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.

By: *Elison W. Houghton*

Title: *Gen. Mgr.*

DUO COUNTY TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORP., INC.

By: _____

Title: _____

FOOTHILLS RURAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORP., INC.

By: _____

Title: _____

COALFIELDS TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.

By: _____

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EXHIBIT B

BALLARD RURAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORP., INC.

By: _____

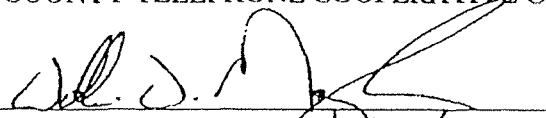
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BRANDENBURG TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.

By: _____

Title: _____

DUO COUNTY TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORP., INC.

By:  _____

Title: Exec. Vice President / CEO.

FOOTHILLS RURAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORP., INC.

By: _____

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COALFIELDS TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.

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FOOTHILLS RURAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORP., INC.

By: John S. T. A.

Title: CEO/GM

COALFIELDS TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.

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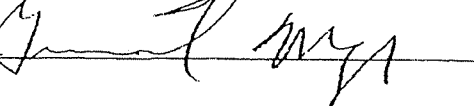
By: Gene O. McArthur

Title: Vice President

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MOUNTAIN TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.

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NORTH CENTRAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.

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PEOPLES RURAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE

By: _____

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By: Gregory A. Hale

Title: GM - Executive Vice President

MOUNTAIN TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.

By: _____

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MOUNTAIN TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.

By: WA Gillum

Title: General Manager

NORTH CENTRAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.

By: _____

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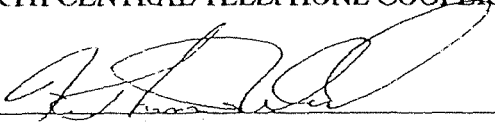
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NORTH CENTRAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.

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Title: President & CEO _____

PEOPLES RURAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE

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NORTH CENTRAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.

By: _____

Title: _____

PEOPLES RURAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE

By: Keith Hubert

Title: Manager

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SOUTH CENTRAL RURAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORP., INC.

By: *Darryl Coyato*

Title: *GENERAL MANAGER*

THACKER-GRIGSBY TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.

By: _____

Title: _____

WEST KENTUCKY RURAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.

By: _____

Title: _____

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By: _____

Title: _____

THACKER-GRIGSBY TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.

By: Robert C. Thacker

Title: Pres.

WEST KENTUCKY RURAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.

By: _____

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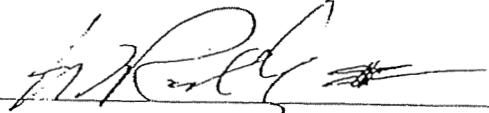
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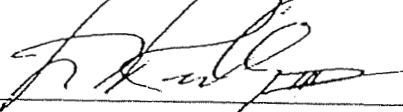
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Title: Agent, Director - Carrier Relations

LEWISPORT TELEPHONE COMPANY

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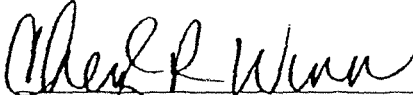
SALEM TELEPHONE COMPANY

By: 

Title: Agent, Director - Carrier Relations

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing was served on the individuals on the attached Service List by mailing a copy thereof, this 23rd day of April 2004.


Cheryl B. Winn

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February 23, 2006

VIA OVERNIGHT

J.D. Tobin, Jr. – President/Manager
Brandenburg Telephone Company, Inc.
200 Telco Drive
PO Box 599
Brandenburg, KY 40108

Re: Request for Interconnection Negotiations pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act and Section 3.01 of the Settlement Agreement in Kentucky Public Service Commission Case No. 2003-00045

Dear Mr. Tobin:

Under Section 3.01 of the above referenced Settlement Agreement (the "Settlement Agreement") dated May 1, 2004, that was entered into in the above-referenced PSC docket between BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., certain Kentucky Incumbent Rural Independent Telephone Companies ("ICOs") including Brandenburg Telephone Company, Inc., and certain wireless carriers including T-Mobile USA, Inc. ("T-Mobile"), we hereby request negotiations of an interconnection agreement with Brandenburg Telephone Company, Inc. pursuant to, and consistent with, Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 ("Act").

Please note that under terms of the Settlement Agreement, the request date will be deemed to be January 1, 2006 and the window for starting arbitration will open on May 16, 2006 and runs until June 10, 2006. As you know either party has the right to petition the Kentucky Public Service Commission during this arbitration window to arbitrate all outstanding issues that remain between the parties regarding the interconnection agreement.

In order to expedite this process, I will be sending you shortly an electronic copy of a draft interconnection agreement for your consideration.

In the meantime, please do not hesitate to call me if you have any questions regarding this request for interconnection.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greg Tedesco".

Greg Tedesco
T-Mobile USA, Inc.
Director, Intercarrier Relations
1855 Gateway Blvd.
Suite 900
Concord, CA 94520
Office: (925) 521-5583
Email: greg.tedesco@t-mobile.com

T-Mobile USA, Inc.
Office: (925) 521-5500
Fax: (925) 521-5501
1855 Gateway Blvd., Suite 900
Concord, CA 94520

BRANDENBURG TELEPHONE COMPANY

200 Telco Drive
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Brandenburg, KY 40108
270-422-2121

March 1, 2006

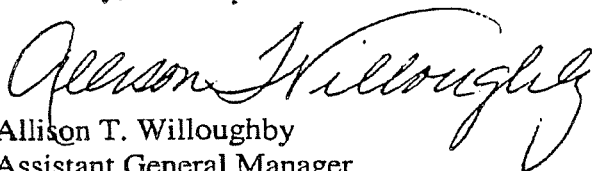
Mr. Greg Tedesco
T-Mobile USA, Inc.
Director, Intercarrier Relations
1855 Gateway Blvd.
Suite 900
Concord, CA 94520

Dear Mr. Tedesco:

Brandenburg Telephone Company is in receipt of your February 23, 2006 letter requesting an Interconnection Agreement with Brandenburg Telephone Company. T-Mobile has a wireless Interconnection Agreement in place with Brandenburg Telephone Company which should cover any wireless interconnection situation.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,



Allison T. Willoughby
Assistant General Manager

ATW;jh



T-Mobile USA, Inc.
12920 SE 38th Street, Bellevue, WA 98006

April 18, 2006

SENT VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL

Brandenburg Telephone Company, Inc.
200 Telco Drive
Brandenburg, KY 40108
Attn: Allison Willoughby

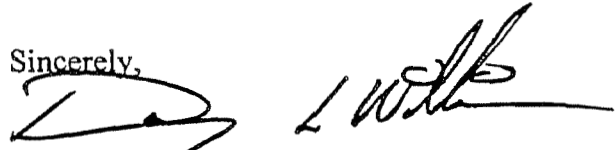
RE: Termination Notice for the Facilities-Based Network Interconnection for Transport and Termination of Local Service Area Traffic CMRS-LEC Agreement ("Agreement") effective on October 2, 2000 between Brandenburg Telephone Company, Inc. ("Brandenburg") and T-Mobile South, LLC, a successor in interest to Powertel of Louisville, Inc. ("T-Mobile")

Dear Brandenburg:

Pursuant to Section 9.2 of the Agreement, T-Mobile hereby elects not to renew the Agreement. This letter will serve as the required sixty (60) days notice, and as such, the Agreement will terminate on October 1, 2006.

T-Mobile does not waive any rights or remedies available to it by law or equity.

Sincerely,



Dan Williams
Corporate Counsel

C: Dan Menser, T-Mobile
Greg Tedesco, T-Mobile
Chad Markel, T-Mobile

Dinsmore & Shohl LLP
ATTORNEYS

Edward T. Depp
502-540-2347
tip.depp@dinslaw.com

May 15, 2006

VIA U.S. MAIL

Dan Williams, Esq.
Corporate Counsel
T-Mobile USA, Inc.
12920 SE 38th Street
Bellevue, Washington 98006

***Re: Brandenburg Telephone Company ("Brandenburg Telephone")
Interconnection Agreement***

Dear Mr. Williams:

This firm is legal counsel to Brandenburg Telephone Company.

The purpose of this letter is to respond to your letter dated April 18, 2006 regarding the apparent termination of the existing traffic exchange agreement between T-Mobile and Brandenburg Telephone.

Your letter raises the following questions to which we require a response.

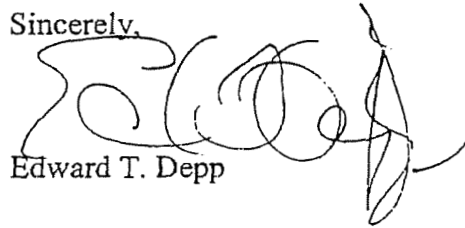
1. You state that T-Mobile will terminate the existing agreement on October 1, 2006. *When will T-Mobile disconnect the interconnection facilities that are the subject of the interconnection agreement?*
2. *If it is not T-Mobile's intention to disconnect the interconnection facilities, then what terms and conditions would T-Mobile expect to apply after October 1, 2006?*

Please provide us with your responses as soon as possible so that we can determine how best to proceed. If you provide us with your email address, we will send you a copy of our draft

Dan Williams, Esq.
May 15, 2006
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interconnection agreement for use in discussing a replacement to the expiring agreement.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Edward T. Depp', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

Edward T. Depp

ETD/lb

cc: Steven E. Watkins
John E. Selent, Esq.
Holly C. Wallace, Esq.