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Ms. Beth O'Donnell Executive Director Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard P. O. Box 615 Frankfort, KY 40602 RECEIVED

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Re: South Central Telcom LLC, Complainant v. BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., Defendant PSC 2006-00448

Dear Ms. O'Donnell:

BellSouth received South Central Telcom's Motion for (1) Informal Conference and (2) Procedural Schedule filed on February 16, 2007, in the above-referenced case. While BellSouth welcomes the opportunity to attend an informal conference if the Commission would find it helpful to discuss the merits of BellSouth's pending Motion to Dismiss, BellSouth believes it would be premature at this time to set a Procedural Schedule. South Central Telcom is asking the Commission to schedule a hearing and prehearing activities without first making a determination as to whether South Central Telcom has stated a claim sufficient to allow the case to proceed. BellSouth believes the Commission should first determine whether South Central Telcom's claim can survive the pending Motion to Dismiss, and should only set a procedural schedule if, <u>after</u> considering BellSouth's Motion, the Commission decides to deny the Motion.

BellSouth requests the Commission to deny South Central Telcom's motion in part as it pertains to setting a Procedural Schedule, and looks forward to attending an informal conference if the Commission so desires. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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cc: Party of Record