Dear Mr. Dorman: Level 3 Communications, LLC ("Level 3") encloses for filing with the Commission an

original and four (4) copies of its Petition for Arbitration Pursuant to Section 252(b) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996 for the Rates, Terms, and Conditions of its interconnection agreement with BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. For the convenience of the Commission, we will provide an electronic copy of these documents on Monday, February 23, 2004. On Thursday, February 20, 2004, I spoke to the Commission's General Counsel, Deborah Eversole, to confirm the number of copies needed by the Commission and we agreed that Level 3 would provide the Commission with five paper copies and one electronic version.

A copy of this Petition has been served on BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. by handdelivery to its Kentucky in-house counsel as well as by certified mail on its registered agent. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you should have any questions concerning this filing.

Sincerely.

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