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In the Matter of:

PETITION OF 1-800-RECONEX, INC. FOR DESIGNATION AS A COMPETITIVE ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER PURSUANT TO SECTION 214(e) OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996

CASE NO. 2006-00060

### COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST DATA REQUEST TO RECONEX COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Commission Staff requests that 1-800-Reconex, Inc., d/b/a U.S. Tel ("Reconex") file the original and 5 copies of the following information on or before May 29, 2006, with a copy to each party of record. When a number of sheets are required for an item, each sheet should be appropriately indexed, for example, Item 1(a), Sheet 2 of 6. Include with each response the name of the person who will be responsible for responding to questions relating to the information provided. Careful attention should be given to copied material to ensure legibility. When the requested information has been previously provided in this proceeding in the requested format, reference may be made to the specific location of that information in responding to this request.

1. Reconex states in its application that it offers all supported services enumerated in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.101(a)(1)-(9). Provide a tariff reference that shows all supported services are offered.

2. Eligible Telecommunications Carriers ("ETCs") must provide the services enumerated in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.101(a)(1)-(9) by either using their own facilities or a

combination of their own facilities and resale of the services of another facilities-based carrier. In its petition, Reconex states it intends to "provide universal service...using a combination of unbundled network elements, via the UNE-P replacement product of BellSouth (DS0 Services Agreement), and resale of BellSouth's local exchange service." Provide a complete discussion of how Reconex provides qualifying services to its customers and include a description of the facilities that Reconex owns and the percentage of customers served by these facilities. If no facilities are owned, when will facilities be constructed? Also include the percentage of customers currently served by purchasing Unbundled Network Elements ("UNEs") and those served by resale from other facilities-based carriers.

3. In the petition Reconex states that its designation as an ETC will benefit consumers by enhancing its ability to construct and improve network facilities. Describe Reconex's construction plans?

4. In the petition, Reconex states that it offers unlimited local usage in each of its local service rate plans. However, some of the rate plans in the tariff include only a limited number of minutes free of charge. Explain how this meets the requirements of 47 C.F.R Section 54.101 (a)(2) and 47 C.F.R. Section 54.202 (a)(6)(ii)(4).

5. Carriers designated as ETCs are required to offer Lifeline and Link-Up services to their customers. Provide a proposed Lifeline and Link-Up tariff and affirm that Reconex intends to offer Lifeline and Link-Up to its customers.

6. All rate plans for local service contained in Reconex's tariff include longdistance usage and custom calling features. Does Reconex intend to offer a plan without inclusion of long distance and custom calling features at a reduced rate?

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7. Carriers designated as ETCs are required to advertise the availability of Lifeline and Link-Up service in a manner designed to effectively reach those customers likely to benefit from such programs. Describe the advertising plan Reconex will employ to reach Lifeline and Link-Up customers.

8. Explain Reconex's plan to remain functional in emergency situations.

9. Explain Reconex's availability of customer service to its customers including contacts for repair, billing and general questions about service.

10. Under 47 C.F.R. Section 54.201(d)(2), a common carrier designated as an ETC under this section shall be eligible to receive universal service support in accordance with Section 254 of the Act and shall, throughout the service area for which the designation is received:

(2) Advertise the availability of such services and the charges therefore using media of general distribution.

Provide examples of advertising that Reconex has done in the past. Include information such as dates, circulation numbers for print advertising, number of pieces mailed for direct mail, and market information for television and radio advertisements.

11. Provide the budgeted amounts for future advertising and full descriptions of planned advertisements.

12. Describe the sales network in which Reconex secures customers, such as retail stores, telemarketing, or other means.

13. Affirm that Reconex will commit to provide service throughout its proposed designated service area to all customers making a reasonable request for service.

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DATED May 8, 2006

cc: All Parties