COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.'S

NOTICE OF INTENT TO DISCONNECT U.S.

LONG DISTANCE FOR NON-PAYMENT

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CASE NO. 2007-00032

ORDER

On January 22, 2007, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") provided written notice to the Commission of its intent to disconnect U.S. Long Distance for non-payment of bills.

BellSouth requests authorization to invoke the Emergency Service Continuity Tariff approved by this Commission on May 20, 2003 in Case No. 2002-00310.¹ Invoking this tariff is necessary only if U.S. Long Distance has not notified its end-users of the service disconnection. If the Emergency Service Continuity Tariff is invoked, BellSouth will continue to provide telephone service to U.S. Long Distance's customers for a minimum of 14 days after U.S. Long Distance ceases to operate. BellSouth has notified the Commission that disconnection of U.S. Long Distance will affect fewer than 5 Kentucky customers.

The Commission, having reviewed BellSouth's notice and having been otherwise sufficiently advised, HEREBY ORDERS that:

1. U.S. Long Distance shall notify the Commission within 7 calendar days of the date of this Order of its intent to pay the delinquent bill to BellSouth within 10 days of

¹ Case No. 2002-00310, Customer Billing and Notice Requirements for Wireline Telecommunications Carriers Providing Service in Kentucky.

the date of this Order or, in the alternative, of its intent to notify its end-users of the proposed service disconnection. Such written comments shall include a copy of U.S. Long Distance's customer notice and an affidavit indicating when the notice was mailed and the number of Kentucky customers to whom it was mailed.

- 2. A copy of BellSouth's notice of intent to disconnect U.S. Long Distance is attached hereto and incorporated herein.
- 3. If U.S. Long Distance has not responded as prescribed in Ordering Paragraph 1 within 7 calendar days of the date of this Order, BellSouth shall implement the procedures established in its Emergency Service Continuity Tariff.
 - 4. A copy of this Order shall be sent by certified mail to U.S. Long Distance.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 30th day of January, 2007.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Dear Ms. O'Donnell:

Case No. 2007-00032

Pursuant to the Kentucky PSC's May 20, 2003 order in KY PSC Case No. 2002-0310, BellSouth is providing advance notice to the Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC) of BellSouth's intent to disconnect U.S Long Distance for non-payment.

BellSouth's records indicate that U.S Long Distance is delinquent in payment of its bills to BellSouth. Attempts to collect past due amounts from U.S. Long Distance have been unsuccessful. BellSouth made numerous written notifications to U.S. Long Distance informing them of BellSouth's intent to suspend or terminate services consistent with the terms and conditions of the Interconnection Agreement between U.S. Long Distance and BellSouth. As of today, BellSouth has received no payment from U.S. Long Distance and we seek to begin discontinuance of services immediately. Disconnection of U.S. Long Distance services will affect less than 5 Kentucky customers.

Under terms of their Resale Agreement, U.S. Long Distance is solely responsible for notifying its end users of the proposed service disconnection. BellSouth is copying U.S. Long Distance to remind them of their obligations to notify their end users of this situation regarding pending disconnection of services.

Should the Commission determine the need to invoke BellSouth's Emergency Service Continuity Tariff, BellSouth will take steps to notify the affected end users and inform them that they may continue to receive telecommunications services through The Emergency Services Continuity Plan for a minimum of fourteen (14) days and that the end user must transition to a new service provider.

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If there are any questions or the need for additional information concerning this filing, please call Jim Tipton at 502-582-8925.

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cc: General Counsel, U.S Long Distance