COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

| THE APPLICATION OF BELLSOUTH |) |
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| TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR |) |
| APPROVAL OF THE RESALE |) |
| AGREEMENT NEGOTIATED BY |) |
| BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, |) CASE NO. 96-353 |
| INC. AND SOUTHEAST TELEPHONE, |) |
| LTD. PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 251 |) |
| AND 252 OF THE |) |
| TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996 |) |
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<u>O R D E R</u>

On June 22, 1999, the Commission ordered BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (BellSouth) and SouthEast Telephone, Ltd. (SouthEast) to file their modified interconnection agreement. In that Order, the Commission required that the agreement incorporate the modification that BellSouth be allowed to declare any wire center as non-rural under certain special circumstances which BellSouth would determine with SouthEast. Both parties agreed in principle to this modification during the September 29, 1998 informal conference. On July 22, 1999, BellSouth and SouthEast filed an amendment to the interconnection agreement that incorporated the modification ordered by the Commission.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the amendment to the interconnection agreement between BellSouth and SouthEast filed July 22, 1999 is approved.

| Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this August 19, 1999. | |
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| ATTEST: | |
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| Executive Director | |