COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

PETITION BY SOUTHEAST TELEPHONE, INC.)FOR ARBITRATION OF CERTAIN TERMS)CASE NO.AND CONDITIONS OF A PROPOSED AGREEMENT)2001-045WITH BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.)

<u>ORDER</u>

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") filed a motion for extension of time in which to file its interconnection agreement with Southeast Telephone, Inc. ("Southeast"). As grounds for its motion, BellSouth states that it wishes to await the outcome of its pending motion for rehearing prior to acting. The Commission finds that a 20-day extension is reasonable. Accordingly, BellSouth's motion is granted, and the executed interconnection agreement between BellSouth and Southeast shall be filed no later than August 20, 2001.

BE IT SO ORDERED.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 2nd day of August, 2001.

By the Commission

ATTEST: