COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

PETITION OF DIECA COMMUNICATIONS, INC.)D/B/A COVAD COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY)CASE NO.FOR ARBITRATION OF INTERCONNECTION)2004-00259AGREEMENT AMENDMENT WITH))BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.)PURSUANT TO SECTION 252(B) OF THE)TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996)

STAFF NOTICE OF INFORMAL CONFERENCE

On June 23, 2004, DIECA Communications, Inc. d/b/a Covad Communications Company ("Covad") filed a petition for arbitration seeking resolution of line sharing issues with BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"). On July 19, 2004, BellSouth filed a response to Covad's petition. BellSouth asserted that line sharing issues are not appropriate for arbitration but added nine additional issues to this proceeding.

The Commission Staff herein schedules an informal conference for August 17, 2004, beginning at 1:30 p.m., Eastern Daylight Time, to discuss all pending procedural and substantive issues. Questions regarding the informal conference may be addressed to Amy Dougherty at (502) 564-3940 or <u>aedougherty@ky.gov</u>.

DATED: <u>July 23, 2004</u>

cc: All Parties

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