COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

PETITION OF MCIMETRO ACCESS)	
TRANSMISSION SERVICES, LLC FOR)	CASE NO.
ARBITRATION OF CERTAIN TERMS AND)	2005-00371
CONDITIONS OF PROPOSED AGREEMENT)	
WITH BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS,)	
INC. CONCERNING INTERCONNECTION AND)	
RESALE UNDER THE)	
TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996)	

<u>O R D E R</u>

On January 6, 2006, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") and MCIMetro Access Transmission Services, LLC ("MCI") jointly requested that the Commission suspend all deadlines in this proceeding and adopt a schedule proposed by the parties. In support of their motion, the parties indicate that the merger between MCI and Verizon Communications may result in a reassessment of the pending issues. The parties are actively negotiating to resolve the issues.

At the parties' request, the Commission herein adopts and ORDERS the following schedule:

- 1. By no later than March 3, 2006, both parties shall file a revised issues matrix.
 - 2. By no later than May 24, 2006, both parties shall file direct testimony.

- 3. By no later than July 10, 2006, both parties shall file rebuttal testimony.
- 4. A hearing, if necessary, shall be scheduled by future Order.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 1st day of February, 2006.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director