

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

PETITION OF DIALOG TELECOMMUNICATIONS FOR)	
ABRITRATION OF CERTAIN TERMS AND)	
CONDITIONS OF PROPOSED AGREEMENT)	CASE NO.
WITH BELL SOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.,)	2006-00099
CONCERNING INTERCONNECTION UNDER THE)	
TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996)	

O R D E R

Dialog Telecommunications (“Dialog”) petitioned for arbitration seeking resolution of seven issues between itself and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (“BellSouth”). The Telecom Act of 1996 imposes deadlines upon this proceeding. Brevity, as well as clarity of expression and position, is of the essence. It is imperative that the Commission receive appropriate information in a timely manner. Accordingly, the following guidelines and procedural schedule shall apply to this proceeding. The purpose of this proceeding is to explore specific arbitration issues. Parties have submitted a proposed procedural schedule which results in the extension of this proceeding beyond the deadline established by 47 U.S.C. § 252. The parties have waived any right to issuance of an earlier decision.

Reduction of the proposed agreement to writing is the responsibility of the parties. The Commission encourages the parties to continue their negotiations during the pendency of this proceeding and to narrow the range of issues to be arbitrated to the extent possible.

Although the Commission is not, pursuant to KRS 278.310, bound by the technical rules of legal evidence, the parties hereto are hereby put on notice that cumulative, repetitive, and irrelevant evidence will not be heard in the formal hearing in this matter. In addition, unless special leave is granted, all direct testimony shall be prefiled. All oral testimony at the formal hearing shall be offered pursuant to cross-examination or redirect examination.

The Commission, being sufficiently advised, HEREBY ORDERS that:

1. A formal hearing in this matter is scheduled for August 23, 2006, beginning at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, in Hearing Room 1 of the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky.
 2. Relevant cost studies, including workpapers and any other documents and information necessary to resolve outstanding issues, shall be filed by July 19, 2006.
 3. Prefiled testimony shall be filed by July 19, 2006, and hearing testimony is limited to cross-examination or redirect examination.
 4. Prefiled rebuttal testimony shall be filed by August 9, 2006.
 5. Any party filing testimony shall file an original and 5 copies.
- Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 6th day of June, 2006.

By the Commission

ATTEST:



Executive Director