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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

January 29, 2003

Mr. Thomas M. Dorman Executive Director Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard Frankfort, KY 40602

Re:

Inquiry Into the Use of Contract Service Arrangement by

Telecommunications Carrier in Kentucky

PSC 2002-00456

Dear Mr. Dorman:

The TDS Telecom Companies in Kentucky (Leslie County Telephone, Lewisport Telephone and Salem Telephone Company), do not wish to participate in the above referenced proceeding. TDS Telecom has no existing Contract Service Agreements in the state and has no relevant data to enter into the record.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey S. Handley

Manager - Revenue & Earnings