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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Talina R. Mathews
Executive Director
Kentucky Public Service Commission
211 Sower Boulevard
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**RE: An Inquiry into the State Universal Service Fund
Case No. 2016-000059**

Dear Ms. Mathews:

BellSouth Long Distance, Inc. ("BSLD") hereby submits its responses to KPSC Staff's Initial Requests for Information and Supplemental Requests for Information in the above-referenced matter. These responses were not filed previously as the result of unintentional oversight, and we respectfully request that they be accepted for filing and incorporated into the record. Specifically, BSLD submits this Read 1st cover letter for its electronic filing in this case for the following documents:

Entry of Appearance and Statement on Electronic Filing for BellSouth Long Distance, Inc.;

BSLD's Responses to KPSC Staff's Initial Requests for Information to All Parties of Record; and

BSLD's Responses to KPSC Staff's Second Requests for Information to All Parties of Record.

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In accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8, by signing below, I certify, on behalf of BSLD, that the electronically filed documents are a true representation of the original paper documents filed with the Commission. There are no materials being filed in the paper medium that are not also included in the electronic submission to the Commission. No party has been excused from participation by electronic filing.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact me at the Louisville office listed above. Thank you for your assistance and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Cheryl R. Winn

Enclosures