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July 25, 2006

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.  
Attention: Mr. Creighton E. Mershon, Sr.  
Post Office Box 32410  
Louisville, Kentucky 40232

Birch Telecom of the South, Inc.  
Attention: Greg Lawhon  
2300 Main Street, Suite 600  
Kansas City, Missouri 64108

Re: Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.  
and Birch Telecom of the South, Inc., Pursuant to Sections 251, 252  
and 271 to the Telecommunications Act of 1996 - PSC Reference No. 00036

Gentlemen:

This is to notify you that Commission Staff has completed its review of your agreement submitted on July 10, 2006, and has concluded that it is in compliance with federal and state law and with previous Commission orders. Accordingly, it is unnecessary for Staff to refer this matter for formal Commission action. The agreement will be maintained in this office and, pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 252, shall be effective on October 8, 2006.

If you have not already done so, the Commission requests that BellSouth submit the subject agreement in Microsoft Word Format (.doc) or Portable Document Format (.pdf) on either a CD or 3.5-inch high-density diskette.

If you have questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Jim Stevens at Extension 238.

Sincerely yours,

  
Beth O'Donnell  
Executive Director

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cc: BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.  
Birmingham, Alabama 35203