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Mr. Larry D. Callison
Verizon South Inc.
Post Office Box 1650
Lexington, Kentucky 40588-1650

Ciera Network Systems, Inc.
Attention: Mr. Robert Livingston
1250 Wood Branch Park Drive
Houston, Texas 77079

Re: Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by Verizon South Inc.
and Ciera Network Systems, Inc., Pursuant to Sections 251, 252 and 271 of the
Telecommunications Act of 1996 -- PSC Reference No. 00424

Gentlemen:

This is to notify you that Commission Staff has completed its review of your agreement submitted on October 17, 2001, 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 January 15, 2002.

If you have not already done so, the Commission requests that Verizon submit the subject agreement in Microsoft® Word 97 format on 3.5-inch high-density diskette.

If you have questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Howell Brady at Extension 265.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas M. Dorman
Executive Director

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