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November 17, 2005

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. Attention: Ms. Dorothy Chambers Post Office Box 32410 Louisville, Kentucky 40232

New East Telephony, Inc. d/b/a Down Home Telephone Attention: Guinn Leverett Post Office Box 8, 403 East Water Street Belhaven, North Carolina 27810

> Re: Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and New East Telephony, Inc. d/b/a Down Home Telephone, Pursuant to Sections 251, 252 and 271 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 PSC Reference No. 00493

Gentlemen:

This is to notify you that Commission Staff has completed its review of your agreement submitted on November 14, 2005, 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 February 12, 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.

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Executive Director

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cc: BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. Birmingham, Alabama 35203

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