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Secretary of the Commission Kentucky Public Service Commission 200 Sower Boulevard, PO Box 615 Frankfort, KY 40602-0615 RECEIVED

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Re: Northwestern Digital Company withdrawal of its authority to operate as a long distance reseller Filing #61-0689

Dear Kentucky Public Service Commission,

Northwestern Digital Company (" NWD") requests to withdraw its authority to operate as a long distance reseller. This will be effective October 1, 2001. We will not be reselling interexchange service as originally planed. This company will be closing within the year.

NWD currently has no customers in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. In fact, NWD has had no customers in you jurisdiction since August of 2000. Therefore, notifications for discontinuance as service provider will not be required.

NWD will file all necessary documents and pay all required fees to all applicable agencies in order to withdraw from the State of Kentucky before the end of the year 2001. We request that you send any required documents needed by your Commission to complete this withdrawal.

Should your Commission have any questions or need any further information please contact me at (800) 280-6300 or you may email me at bsutton@univacne.com.

Sincerely,

Betty Sutton

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