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Dear Mr. Hamada:

Verizon South Inc. f/k/a GTE South Incorporated ("Verizon") has received your letter stating that, under Section 252(i) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the "Act"), Tempest Communications Company ("Tempest") wishes to adopt the terms of the arbitrated Interconnection Agreement between AT&T Communications of the South Central States, Inc. ("AT&T") and GTE that was approved by the Commission as an effective agreement in the State of Kentucky in Docket No. 96-478 (the "Terms")<sup>1</sup>. I understand you have a copy of the Terms. Please note the following with respect to your adoption of the Terms.

1. By your countersignature on this letter, you hereby represent and commit to the following three points:
  - (A) Tempest adopts the Terms of the AT&T arbitrated agreement for interconnection with Verizon and in applying the Terms, agrees that Tempest Communications Company shall be substituted in place of AT&T Communications of the South Central States, Inc. in the Terms wherever appropriate.
  - (B) Tempest requests that notice to Tempest as may be required under the Terms shall be provided as follows:

To: Tempest Communications Company  
Attention: Sean T. Hamada, Esq. - President  
4525 Production Drive  
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TEL: 214/637-8887  
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<sup>1</sup> These "agreements" are not agreements in the generally accepted understanding of that term. GTE was required to accept these agreements, which were required to reflect then-effective FCC rules and other applicable law.