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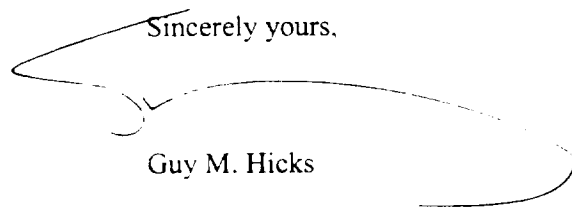
Re: *Approval of the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and MCImetro Access Transmission Services, L.L.C. Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*
Docket No. ~~00-00608~~
01-00087

Dear Mr. Waddell:

Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, MCImetro Access Transmission Services, L.L.C. and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. are hereby submitting to the Tennessee Regulatory Authority the original and thirteen copies of the attached Petition for Approval of the Interconnection Agreement dated August 13, 2000.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,


Guy M. Hicks

cc: Senior Vice President, MCImetro Access Transmission Services, L.L.C.
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