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**VIA HAND DELIVERY**

Mr. David Waddell, Executive Secretary  
Tennessee Regulatory Authority  
460 James Robertson Parkway  
Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0505

Re: *Approval of the Interconnection Agreement and Amendments Thereto between BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and US LEC of Tennessee, Inc. pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*  
Docket No. 01-00282

Dear Mr. Waddell:

Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") and US LEC of Tennessee, Inc. ("US LEC") are hereby submitting to the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") the original and thirteen copies of the attached Petition for Approval of the Interconnection Agreement and Amendments Thereto (the "Agreement"). US LEC has adopted the XO Tennessee, Inc. f/k/a Nextlink Tennessee, Inc. Interconnection agreement in its entirety. The term of the agreement began on November 4, 1999. The TRA approved the XO Agreement by written order dated August 29, 2000. XO and BellSouth have recently filed an Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement as ordered by the TRA which addresses the definition of Local Traffic. The Amendment was approved by the TRA by voice vote on February 21, 2001.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

  
Guy M. Hicks

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Enclosure

cc: US LEC General Counsel  
US LEC Vice President, Regulatory & Industry Affairs