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Ms. Mary Jo Kunkle
Executive Secretary
Michigan Public Service Commission
6545 Mercantile Way, P.O. Box 30221
Lansing, MI 48911

Re: MPSC Case No. U-12954, Interconnection Agreement Between AT&T Michigan and Buckeye Telesystem, Inc.

Dear Ms. Kunkle:

Attached for filing is the joint application requesting approval of the ***Twelfth Amendment*** to the Interconnection Agreement by and between AT&T Michigan and Buckeye Telesystem, Inc. In accordance with the Commission's request, AT&T Michigan makes this filing electronically by posting the enclosed Amendment and related pleadings onto the Commission's web site at:

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/>

Additional copies of the Amendment are available on this web site as well as AT&T Michigan's website at:

http://www.sbc.com/search/regulatory.jsp?category=WWW.SBC.COM/LARGE-FILES/RIMS/INTERCONNECTION_AGREEMENTS/MICHIGAN

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lisa M. Bruno". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Attachment

cc: Mr. Thomas K. Dawson

STATE OF MICHIGAN
BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re the request for Commission approval of)
An Interconnection Agreement between)
Buckeye Telesystem, Inc.)
and Ameritech Michigan.)

Case No. U- 12954

JOINT APPLICATION

AT&T Michigan¹ and Buckeye Telesystem, Inc. hereby jointly apply to the Michigan Public Service Commission (Commission) pursuant to Section 203(1) of the Michigan Telecommunications Act (MTA), as amended, MCL 484.2203(1), and Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the Act), 47 U.S.C. § 252(e), for approval of the Twelfth Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement between the parties heretofore approved by the Commission on July 11, 2001 (Agreement). In support of this joint application, AT&T Michigan and Buckeye Telesystem, Inc. state as follows:

1. The parties have entered into good faith negotiations and have executed a Twelfth Amendment to the Agreement. The Twelfth Amendment to the Agreement, fully executed as of June 16, 2008, replaces the Tenth Amendment and the existing performance measures and remedies provisions in the Agreement with the attached new AT&T Midwest Performance Remedy Plan Appendix. A copy of the Twelfth Amendment to the Agreement, duly executed by the Parties, is submitted with this joint application as Exhibit A.

2. The Twelfth Amendment is the result of voluntary negotiations and must be submitted to the Commission for its approval or rejection pursuant to Section 252(e)(1) of the Act. The Twelfth Amendment meets all statutory criteria for Commission approval.

¹ Michigan Bell Telephone Company (previously referred to as “Michigan Bell” or “SBC Michigan”) now operates under the name “AT&T Michigan” pursuant to an assumed name filing with the State of Michigan.

WHEREFORE, AT&T Michigan and Buckeye Telesystem, Inc. jointly request Commission approval of the Twelfth Amendment to the Agreement pursuant to MTA §203(1) and §252(e) of the Act as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Buckeye Telesystem, Inc.

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Dated: September 16, 2008

Exhibit A
Case No. U-12954

TWELFTH AMENDMENT

Executed as of June 16, 2008

TO

INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT UNDER SECTIONS 251 AND 252
OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996

by and between

AT&T MICHIGAN

and

BUCKEYE TELESYSTEM, INC.

**AMENDMENT TO
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT
BY AND BETWEEN
MICHIGAN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY d/b/a AT&T MICHIGAN
AND
BUCKEYE TELESYSTEM, INC.**

This Amendment amends the Interconnection Agreement by and between Michigan Telephone Company¹ d/b/a AT&T Michigan ("AT&T Michigan") and Buckeye Telesystem, Inc. ("CLEC"). AT&T and CLEC are hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties" and individually as a "Party". This Amendment applies in AT&T's service territory in the State of Michigan.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, AT&T and CLEC are Parties to an Interconnection Agreement (the Agreement) under Sections 251 and 252 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"), approved 7/11/2001 (the "Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, AT&T, members of the CLEC community and representatives of the state Commission staffs for Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin recently participated in a Six Month Review for the purpose of determining whether to modify the current Commission-approved/ordered Performance Measures and Remedies Plan (the "Plan") for the States of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin ("Six Month Review"); and

WHEREAS, that Six Month Review resulted in agreed upon changes to the Plan submitted to the state Commission for approval; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 252(a)(1) of the Act, the Parties wish to amend the Agreement to implement the Six Month Review Plan by updating the existing performance measures and remedies provisions of the Agreement as set forth herein;

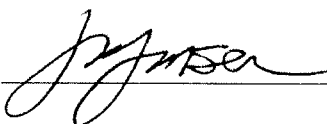
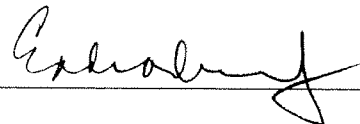
NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises and mutual agreements set forth herein, the Parties agree to amend the Agreement as follows:

1. The Parties agree that the Agreement should be amended by replacing the existing performance measures and remedies provisions of the underlying Agreement with the new Appendix Performance Measurements attached hereto.
2. Conflict between this Amendment and the Agreement. This Amendment shall be deemed to revise the terms and provisions of the Agreement only to the extent necessary to give effect to the terms and provisions of this Amendment. In the event of a conflict between the terms and provisions of this Amendment and the terms and provisions of the Agreement this Amendment shall govern, *provided, however*, that the fact that a term or provision appears in this Amendment but not in the Agreement, or in the Agreement but not in this Amendment, shall not be interpreted as, or deemed grounds for finding, a conflict for purposes of this paragraph 2.
3. Scope of Amendment. This Amendment shall amend, modify and revise the Agreement only to the extent set forth expressly in paragraph 1 of this Amendment. Nothing in this Amendment shall be deemed to amend or extend the term of the Agreement, or to affect the right of a Party to exercise any right of termination it may have under the Agreement. Nothing in this Amendment shall affect the general application and effectiveness of the Agreement's "change of law", "intervening law", "successor rates" and/or any similarly purposed provisions.
4. This Amendment may require that certain sections of the Agreement shall be replaced and/or modified by the provisions set forth in this Amendment. The Parties agree that such replacement and/or modification shall be accomplished without the necessity of physically removing and replacing or modifying such language throughout the Agreement.

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5. The Parties acknowledge and agree that this Amendment shall be filed with, and is subject to approval by the Commission and shall become effective ten (10) days following approval by such Commission (the "Amendment Effective Date").
6. Reservation of Rights. In entering into this Amendment, neither Party waives, and each Party expressly reserves, any rights, remedies or arguments it may have at law or under the intervening law or regulatory change provisions in the underlying Agreement (including intervening law rights asserted by either Party via written notice predating this Amendment) with respect to any orders, decisions, legislation or proceedings and any remands thereof, which the Parties have not yet fully incorporated into this Agreement or which may be the subject of further review.

Buckeye Telesystem, Inc.

Michigan Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T
Michigan by AT&T Operations, Inc., its authorized
agentBy: By: Printed: Joseph D Jensen

Printed: Eddie A. Reed, Jr.

Title: President
(Print or Type)

Title: Director-Interconnection Agreements

Date: June 12, 2008Date: 6-16-08

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APPENDIX PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENTS

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 **AT&T MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE** means the AT&T ILECs as identified in the General Terms and Conditions operating in the States of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin. The performance measurements and remedy plan referenced herein, notwithstanding any provisions in any other appendix in this Agreement, are not intended to create, modify or otherwise affect Parties' rights and obligations. The existence of any particular performance measure, or the language describing that measure, is not evidence that CLEC is entitled to any particular manner of access, nor is it evidence that **AT&T MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE** is limited to providing any particular manner of access. The Parties' rights and obligations to such access are defined elsewhere, including the relevant laws, FCC and state Commission decisions/regulations, tariffs, and within this interconnection agreement.
- 1.2 **Performance Measurements** means the set of performance measurements approved by the specific State Commission in the state-specific proceeding(s) listed in Section 1.8 below. The first set of measurements effective under this agreement is that first submitted in the proceeding listed in Section 1.8 below after October 15, 2007. For purposes of implementation, such measures shall be effective as of December 1, 2007 for performance beginning with December 2007 results, except for Michigan, where these measurements will be effective with the first full month of performance after Commission approval of the measures.
- 1.3 **AT&T Midwest Remedy Plan** means the first remedy plan filed for State Commission review and approved in the state-specific proceeding listed in Section 1.8 below on or after October 15, 2007. For purposes of implementation, that remedy plan shall be effective as of December 1, 2007 for performance beginning with December 2007 results, except for Michigan, where the remedy plan will be effective with the first full month of performance after Commission approval of the plan.
- 1.4 Any subsequent Commission-approved additions, modifications and/or deletions to the Performance Measurements, shall be automatically incorporated into this Agreement by reference in the first full month following the effective date of the Commission's order, or as otherwise agreed-to by the Parties.
- 1.5 Any future Commission-ordered additions, modifications and/or deletions to the AT&T Midwest Remedy Plan (and its supporting documents) in the proceedings or under the Rule as listed in Section 1.8 below, or any successor proceeding or Rule, to which no Party has objected, shall be automatically incorporated into this Interconnection Agreement by reference in the first full month following the effective date of the Commission's order, or as otherwise agreed by the Parties.
- 1.6 **AT&T MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE's** agreement to implement this Performance Measurements Plan will not be considered as an admission against interest or an admission of liability in any legal, regulatory, or other proceeding relating to the same performance. **AT&T MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE** and CLEC agree that CLEC may not use the existence of this Plan as evidence that **AT&T MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE** has discriminated in the provision of any facilities or services under Sections 251 or 252, or has violated any state or federal law or regulation. **AT&T MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE's** conduct underlying its performance measures, and the performance data provided under the performance measures, however, are not made inadmissible by these terms. Any CLEC accepting this performance measurements plan agrees that **AT&T MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE's** performance with respect to this plan may not be used as an admission of liability or culpability for a violation of any state or federal law or regulation.
- 1.7 Nothing herein shall be interpreted to be a waiver of **AT&T MIDWEST REGION 5-STATE's** right to argue and contend in any forum, in the future, that sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 impose no duty or legal obligation to negotiate and/or mediate or arbitrate a self-executing liquidated damage and remedy plan.
- 1.8 Sources of Commission authority over Performance Measures and/or the AT&T Midwest Remedy Plan:
 - Illinois – 83 IL. Administrative Code Part 731
 - Indiana – Cause No. 41657

- Michigan – Case No. U-11830
 - Ohio – Case No. 00-942-TP-COI
 - Wisconsin – 6720-TI-198 (Performance Measurements only)
 - Wisconsin – AT&T Midwest Remedy Plan as approved by the Commission in CLEC-specific ICA
- 1.9 Provisions of this Performance Measurements Appendix will terminate in accordance with Section 6.5 (Section 6.6 for Illinois and Michigan) of the AT&T Midwest Remedy Plan.