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Mr. Cecil I. Wright
Executive Secretary
Missouri Public Service Commission
P.O. Box 360
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

Re: Case No. TO-97-487, American Communications Services, Inc./Southwestern Bell
Telephone Company Interconnection Agreement

Dear Mr. Wright:

This letter is in response to a request received yesterday from Staff counsel Cheryl McGowan to clarify that American Communications Services, Inc. ("ACSI"), which is the parent corporation of Commission-certificated American Communication Services of Kansas City, Inc. ("ACSI-KC"), executed the above-referenced Interconnection Agreement with Southwestern Bell Telephone Company on behalf of its subsidiary, ACSI-KC. ACSI currently only has one operating subsidiary in Missouri, ACSI-KC, which has obtained a certificate to provide basic local telecommunications service in Case No. TA-96-455. If approved, ACSI-KC will file its tariffs based on the terms and conditions of the Interconnection Agreement in Case No. TO-97-487.

The reason that the parent company executed the Interconnection Agreement, rather than the operating subsidiary, is simple--economy of effort. There may come a time in the future when additional Missouri ACSI operating companies are formed, or perhaps ACSI's Missouri operations might be reorganized, for a variety of business or tax reasons. Having the parent corporation execute an Interconnection Agreement now on behalf of "its Missouri operating subsidiaries" will avoid the need to negotiate, execute and file additional, individual Interconnection Agreements with Southwestern Bell Telephone Company in the future.

Sincerely,

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