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RE: Case No. _____
PNG Telecommunications, Inc. for Approval of Interconnection Agreement

Dear Secretary:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission are the original and 5 copies of the interconnection agreement which PNG Telecommunications, Inc., has entered with SBC Missouri, d/b/a Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. (SBC).

Thank you for assistance in processing this filing. Copies are being served on the General Counsel, Public Counsel, and counsel for SBC. Please contact me at 634-8109 or by email at myoung0654@aol.com if there are any questions.

Sincerely,


Mary Ann (Garr) Young

cc: General Counsel
Office of Public Counsel
SBC Counsel
Stacy A. Lewis, PNG

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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Application of

PNG Telecommunications, Inc.

for Approval of an Interconnection
Agreement Under the
Telecommunications Act of 1996

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APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

COMES NOW PNG Telecommunications, Inc., (Applicant or PNG), by its undersigned counsel, and hereby files its Application for Approval of an Interconnection Agreement and Amendment to Interconnection Agreement (Agreement) between Applicant and SBC Missouri, d/b/a Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. (SBC) under the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (1996 Act). In support of this Application, PNG states as follows:

I. THE PARTIES

Applicant is a competitive telecommunications carrier authorized to provide basic local exchange telecommunications services by the Commission in its Order Granting Certificate to Provide Basic Local Telecommunications Services dated April 10, 2001, in Case No. TA-2001-433. Applicant's authority to transact business in Missouri from the Secretary of State's Office was filed with the Commission in Case No. TA-2001-433 and that documentation is incorporated herein by reference pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2(1)(G)NEW RULE. Applicant is an Ohio corporation with its principal place of business at 100 Commercial Drive, Fairfield OH 45014. SBC is an incumbent local exchange carrier authorized to provide basic local exchange telephone service in Missouri; it maintains its principal offices in Missouri at One Bell Center, Suite 4210, St. Louis, MO 63101.

Applicant herein states, in accordance with 4 CSR 240-2.060 (1) (K), that there are no pending actions or final unsatisfied judgments or decisions against Applicant in any state, federal agency, or court which involve customer service or rates for which action, judgment, or decision has occurred within three (3) years of the date of this Application. Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.060 (1) (L), Applicant hereby states that the Company does not have any overdue annual reports or fees owed to the Missouri Public Service Commission.

II. INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT REACHED

PNG presents to this Commission for approval an Interconnection Agreement entered into between SBC and Applicant, executed pursuant to the terms of the 1996 Act. A copy of the Agreement is provided as Exhibit A. This agreement is a negotiated contract, and is based upon the terms of the Interconnection Agreement that SBC has entered into with AT&T and other competitive telecommunications carriers which has previously been approved by the Commission. The Agreement was executed by Applicant on February 2, 2004, and by SBC on February 5, 2004. There are no outstanding issues between Applicant and SBC that need the assistance of mediation or arbitration.

II. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL

Applicant seeks the Commission's approval of the Agreement, consistent with the provisions of the 1996 Act and Missouri law. The implementation of this Agreement complies fully with Section 252(e) of the Federal Act because the Agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity and does not discriminate against any telecommunications carrier.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Commission grant expeditious approval of this Agreement, without change, suspension or other delay in its implementation. This is a bilateral agreement, reached as a result of negotiations and compromise between the parties.

III. STANDARD FOR REVIEW

The statutory standards of review are set forth in Section 252(e) of the Federal Act which provides as follows:

(e) Approval by State Commission

- (1) Approval required.--Any interconnection agreement adopted by negotiation or arbitration shall be submitted for approval to the State commission. A State commission to which an agreement is submitted shall approve or reject the agreement, with written findings as to any deficiencies.
- (2) Grounds for rejection.--The state commission may only reject--
 - (A) an agreement (or any portion thereof) adopted by negotiation under subsection (a) if it finds that--
 - (i) the agreement (or portion thereof) discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement; or
 - (ii) the implementation of such agreement or portion is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.

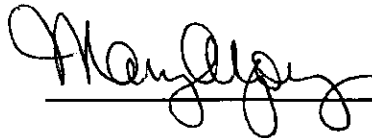
IV. MISSOURI LAW

The executed Agreement is consistent with Missouri Law.

V. CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, Applicant PNG Telecommunications, Inc., respectfully requests that the Commission approve PNG's interconnection agreement with SBC at its earliest convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

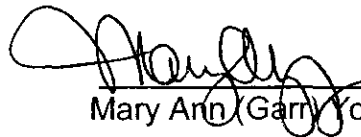


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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, or served electronically on the Office of the Public Counsel, General Counsel, and counsel for SBC this 20th day of April 2004.



Mary Ann (Garr) Young

VERIFICATION

STATE OF Ohio)
COUNTY OF Butler)

I, Todd C. Pfister, being first duly sworn, state that I am the Assistant Secretary of PNG Telecommunications, Inc., Applicant herein; that I am authorized to sign this Verification on Applicant's behalf, that I have reviewed the matters set forth in the Application, and that the statements set forth therein are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.



Name: Todd C. Pfister
Title: Assistant Secretary

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 13th day of April 2004.


Notary Public

STACY A. LEWIS, Attorney at Law
Notary Public State of Ohio
My Commission has No Expiration Date
Section 147.03 ORC

