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Mrs. Blanca S. Bayo Director, Division of Commission Clerk and Administrative Services Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399

Re: Approval of Amendment to the Interconnection, Unbundling, Resale, and Collocation Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") and Columbia Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a aXessa pursuant to Sections 251, 252 and 271 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Dear Mrs. Bayo:

Pursuant to section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, BellSouth and Columbia Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a aXessa are submitting to the Florida Public Service Commission an amendment to their negotiated agreement for the interconnection of their networks, the unbundling of specific network elements offered by BellSouth and the resale of BellSouth's telecommunications services to Columbia Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a aXessa. The initial agreement between the companies was filed in Docket 010139-TP, on January 30, 2001, and was deemed effective by Order No. PSC-01-0788-FOF-TP on March 26, 2001.

Pursuant to section 252(e) of the Act, the Commission is charged with approving or rejecting this amendment to the negotiated agreement between BellSouth and Columbia Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a aXessa within 90 days of its submission. The Act provides that the Commission may only reject such an agreement if it finds that the agreement or any portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or the implementation of the agreement or any portion of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity. Both parties agree that neither of these reasons exists as to the agreement they have negotiated and therefore, as such this amendment should be deemed effective by operation of law on September 14, 2002.

Very truly yours,

Regulatory Vice President

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#### AMENDMENT TO THE

## AGREEMENT BETWEEN

# COLUMBIA TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. D/B/A AXESSA

### AND

### BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. DATED JANUARY 8, 2001

Pursuant to this Amendment, (the "Amendment") Columbia Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a aXessa ("aXessa") and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"), hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties", hereby agree to amend that certain Interconnection Agreement between the Parties dated January 8, 2001 ("Agreement").

WHEREAS, BellSouth and aXessa entered into the Agreement on January 8, 2001, and;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual provisions contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby covenant and agree as follows:

- 1. Attachment 1, Resale, Section 6.6, is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with new Section 6.6, as set forth in Exhibit 1 attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 2. Attachment 7, Billing, Section 1.8, is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with a new Section 1.8, as set forth in Exhibit 1 attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 3. All of the other provisions of the Agreement, dated January 8, 2001, shall remain in full force and effect.
- 4. Either or both of the Parties are authorized to submit this Amendment to the respective state regulatory authorities for approval subject to Section 252(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be executed by their respective duly authorized representatives and shall be deemed effective the date of the last signature of both Parties.

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.	Columbia Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a aXessa
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Name: C. W. Boltz	Name: GORDON GILLES
Title: Managing Director	Title:
Date: 5/24/02	Date: 5-21-02