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- A. Lynn Barclay Legal Secretary BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. 150 South Monroe Street Suite 400 Tallahassee, Florida 32301 (404) 335-0788 Lynn.barclay@bellsouth.com
- B. <u>Docket No. 040527-TP</u>: In re: Enforcement of Interconnection Agreement between BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and NuVox Communications, Inc.
- C. BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. on behalf of Nancy B. White
- D. 5 pages total
- E. Supplemental Affidavit of Jerry Hendrix on Behalf of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.

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April 12, 2005

Mrs. Blanca S. Bayó Director, Commission Clerk and Administrative Services Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 040527-TP BellSouth v. NuVox

Dear Ms. Bayó:

Enclosed is BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s Supplemental Affidavit of Jerry Hendrix, which we ask that you file in the captioned docket.

Copies have been served to the parties shown on the attached Certificate of Service.

Sincerely,

Mancy White (BB) Nancy B. White

cc: All Parties of Record Marshall M. Criser III R. Douglas Lackey

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE Docket No. 040527-TP

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was

served via Electronic Mail and FedEx this 12th day of April, 2005 to the following:

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In Re:

Enforcement of Interconnection Agreement between BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and NuVox Communications, Inc. Docket No. 040527-TP

SUPPLEMENTAL AFFIDAVIT OF JERRY HENDRIX ON BEHALF OF BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

Comes the affiant, Jerry Hendrix, and being duly sworn, deposes and says:

- My name is Jerry Hendrix. I previously filed an affidavit in this matter on September 10,
 2004. The numbered paragraphs of that affidavit are incorporated herein by reference.
- 2. An audit of 44 of NuVox's Georgia EELs ("Georgia Audit") was performed recently, pursuant to a Georgia Public Service Commission Order Adopting in Part and Modifying in Part the Hearing Officer's Recommended Order on July 6, 2004. BellSouth employed the independent audit firm, KPMG, LLP to undertake the Georgia Audit. I understand that KPMG concluded its collection of information and documentation for this audit three weeks ago, and is waiting for NuVox to provide a management performance report, which I understand to be an affirmation by NuVox that it provided KPMG with all relevant materials in NuVox's possession. I further understand that, to date, despite repeated requests from KPMG, NuVox has refused to provide KPMG with the requested information.
- 3. While KPMG's report, thus, has not been finalized for release, "high-level" results of the audit were provided to BellSouth in a readout session with KPMG. Based on those high-level discussions, BellSouth anticipates that the Georgia Audit will confirm substantial non-compliance (and possible outright misrepresentation) regarding the circuits

DOCUMENT NUMBER-DATE 03551 APR 12 8 FPSC-COMMISSION OLEDA inspected, as well as an inadequate control and recordkeeping structure established and/or maintained by NuVox in support of the certifications that were made to justify the circuit conversions.

- 4. I further understand from KPMG that NuVox's control and recordkeeping structure is centralized; that is, the structure is not unique from state-to-state.
- 5. Based on the high-level audit results from Georgia, it appears that NuVox has a poor compliance record relating to converted circuits. Under the circumstances, BellSouth is now faced with substantial and growing losses from the continued delay in its ability to audit NuVox's Florida converted circuits. For example, if NuVox's converted Florida EELs were audited and all were found non-compliant, the difference between the special access (SPA) rates that should have been paid, in that event, and the lower EEL rates that have been paid, would be approximately \$6.7 million (as of year-end 2004). Even if only half of NuVox's EELs in Florida were found to be non-compliant, NuVox would owe BellSouth more than \$3.35 million.
- 6. NuVox is a privately held company. Thus, BellSouth has no access to NuVox's financial records. However, according to available NuVox website information, NuVox's annualized EBITDA (earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, and amortization) on revenues of approximately \$300 million is stated as "more than" \$10 million, while it has approximately \$80 million in debt. Based on this information, BellSouth has no confidence that NuVox could satisfy any future refund entered against NuVox in these amounts (*i.e.*, regionally, over \$29 million, potentially, or the potential \$6.7 million for Florida only), thereby permanently depriving BellSouth of its just compensation.

- 7. Additionally, there is a strong indication that NuVox's current records are incomplete and insufficient to establish compliance for converted circuits on a going forward basis.
 BellSouth, thus, stands to lose additional money and customers for as long as NuVox continues to improperly purchase new and existing EELs.
- 8. BellSouth has made the decision to hire KPMG, LLP to conduct the audit of NuVox's EELs in Florida.
- 9. This concludes my statement.

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Subscribed and Sworn to before me this 12th day of April, 2005 <u>rCla</u> IIBT.I

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