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VIA E-MAIL

Mr. Brandon M. Frey
Executive Secretary
Louisiana Public Service Commission
The Galvez Building, 11th Floor
602 North 5th Street
Baton Rouge, LA 70821

RE: Approval of an Amendment¹ between BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC d/b/a AT&T Louisiana ("AT&T Louisiana") and Birch Communications, Inc. (now known as Fusion Cloud Services, LLC) and Birch Telecom of the South, LLC (now known as Lingo Telecom of the South, LLC) ("CLECs") pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Mr. Frey:

Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, AT&T Louisiana and CLECs have electronically submitted to the Louisiana Public Service Commission the attached negotiated Amendment for the interconnection of their networks, the unbundling of specific network elements offered by AT&T Louisiana and the resale of AT&T Louisiana's telecommunications services to CLECs. The Amendment was negotiated pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Act.

Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Act, the Commission is charged with approving or rejecting the negotiated Amendment between AT&T Louisiana and CLECs within 90 days of its submission. The Commission may only reject such an Amendment if it finds that the Amendment or any portion of the Amendment discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the Amendment or the implementation of the Amendment or any portion of the Amendment is not consistent with the public interest, convenience or necessity. Both parties represent that none of these reasons exist as to the Amendment they have negotiated and that the Commission should approve their Amendment.

Sincerely,

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Attachment

¹ This amendment removes Birch Telecom of the South, LLC and assigns its interests in the

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