On February 12, 2008, the Administrative Law Judge issued a Procedural Order that i) ordered the parties to file a matrix or list of issues and their procedural recommendations by May 1, 2008; ii) scheduled a Procedural Conference to be held on May 8, 2008, for the purpose of determining the procedures and schedule for the above-captioned consolidated matters; and iii) ordered that the parties may request a continuance of the May 8, 2008 Procedural Conference if they believe the process would benefit from additional time for their discussions.

Pursuant to the Procedural Order, the parties conferred on several occasions (through in-person and telephonic meetings) to determine if consensus could be reached on any of the substantive or procedural issues identified in the previously filed comments. Although these were productive meetings, the parties determined that additional information would be required for the parties to determine if consensus could ultimately be reached on various substantive and legal issues that were discussed. To assist in this determination, the Arizona Local Exchange Carriers Association ("ALECA") agreed to
gather and provide to the parties, aggregate ALECA member data that will estimate the revenue expected to be lost by reducing state access rates to various target levels. ALECA anticipates that it will take approximately 60 to 90 days to complete this task. The parties will then need additional time to analyze this data in assessing various proposals put forth associated with access reduction, including potential legal issues associated therewith.

Based upon the discussion on the last telephonic conference call that was held between the parties, there did not appear to be any objection to a continuance of the procedural schedule to accommodate the parties’ efforts. Accordingly, ALECA hereby requests that the requirement for the parties to file a matrix or list of issues and their procedural recommendations by May 1, 2008 be continued until September 5, 2008. ALECA further requests that the May 8, 2008, Procedural Conference be continued and rescheduled to be held on or after September 12, 2008.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 18th day of April, 2008.

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