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Hon. Kim Beals, Prearbitration Officer  
Tennessee Regulatory Authority  
460 James Robertson Parkway  
Nashville, TN 37238

Re: *Petition of LoadPoint, LLC for Arbitration with BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252*  
Docket No. 04-00060

Dear Ms. Beals.

In accordance with your *Order Granting Extension of Time* entered May 7, 2004, the parties are providing an update with regard to their settlement negotiations. The parties are awaiting the execution of an amendment to another interconnection agreement which the parties expect will provide a basis for the settlement of all issues in this proceeding. We expect the amendment to be signed and filed this week. Accordingly, the parties request an additional extension of time to make any filings previously ordered by the Prearbitration Officer. Specifically, the parties request that they be allowed to file an update regarding their settlement negotiations on Monday, May 24, 2004.

Mr. Henry Walker, local counsel for Loadpoint, has authorized me to submit this letter on his client's behalf. Copies of the enclosed are being provided to counsel for Loadpoint.

Very truly yours,



Guy M Hicks

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on May 17, 2004, a copy of the foregoing document was served on the following, via the method indicated.

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