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Missouri Public  
Service Commission

Mr. Dale Roberts  
Executive Secretary  
Missouri Public Service Commission  
301 West High Street, Suite 530  
Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

Re: *In the Matter of the Application of ConnectSouth Communications of Missouri, Inc. for a Certificate of Service Authority to Provide Basic Local Telecommunications Service, Local Exchange Telecommunications Service, and Interexchange Telecommunications Service in the State of Missouri and to Classify Said Services and the Company as Competitive*  
Case No.: TA-2000-585

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission is the original and 14 copies of the Notice of Filing of Interconnection Agreement in the above-referenced matter. Please return one file-stamped copy of this document in the envelope enclosed for that purpose.

Thank you for bringing this matter to the attention of the Commission. Please do not hesitate to contact me at (816) 460-2461 if you should have any questions.

Very truly yours,

*Lisa Creighton /cmw*

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LCC:cmw  
Enclosures

cc: Office of Public Counsel  
Office of General Counsel  
Southwestern Bell Telephone Company

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
STATE OF MISSOURI

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION )  
OF CONNECTSOUTH COMMUNICATIONS )  
OF MISSOURI, INC. FOR A CERTIFICATE )  
OF SERVICE AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE )  
BASIC LOCAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS )  
SERVICE, LOCAL EXCHANGE )  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE, AND )  
INTEREXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS )  
SERVICE IN THE STATE OF MISSOURI AND )  
TO CLASSIFY SAID SERVICES AND THE )  
COMPANY AS COMPETITIVE )

**NOTICE OF FILING OF INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT**

COMES NOW, ConnectSouth Communications of Missouri, Inc. ("ConnectSouth") and hereby informs the Commission and the parties to this case that it has filed an Application for Approval of an Interconnection Agreement between it and Southwestern Bell Telephone Company ("SWBT"). ConnectSouth is in the process of negotiating further agreements with Sprint/United and GTE. ConnectSouth anticipates that these agreements will be finalized in the near future.

Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2000, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing was mailed, postage prepaid, to:

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Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

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Missouri Public Service Commission  
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Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company  
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COMMUNICATIONS OF MISSOURI, INC.