BEFORE THE MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Service Completion of New Edge Network, Inc., for Approval of Interconnection Agreement with Docket No. CK-2003-0190

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company.

WITHDRAWAL OF APPLICATION

Comes now the Applicant, New Edge Networks, Inc., and hereby withdraws its Application for approval of its interconnection agreement with Southwestern Bell Telephone Company. As grounds for this withdrawal, New Edge states the following:

- 1. New Edge and Southwestern Bell have executed an adoption of the M2A interconnection agreement. Staff has informed New Edge's counsel that formal Commission approval of the New Edge-Southwestern Bell agreement is not required, and that entry of the adoption of the agreement in the Commission's records allows the parties to operate under the M2A. The agreement was filed on November 26, 2002, with the Application opening this docket, and as such, November 26, 2002, should be the agreement's effective date.
- 2. In light of the Commission's practice, New Edge withdraws the pending Application and requests that the Commission close this docket.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 10th day of January, 2003, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by United States mail, first class, postage prepaid, on the following:

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