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RE: Docket No. 140156-TP – Petition by Communications Authority, Inc. for arbitration of Section 252(b) interconnection agreement with BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC d/b/a AT&T Florida d/b/a AT&T Southeast.

By letter received February 19, 2016, BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC d/b/a AT&T Florida d/b/a AT&T Southeast filed a request for approval of the interconnection, unbundling, resale, and collocation agreement with Communications Authority, Inc. By Order No. PSC-15-0593-FOF-TP, issued December 30, 2015, this Commission ordered the parties to submit a signed agreement that complies with the decisions made in this docket for approval within 30 days after the issuance of the Order. This Commission also ordered this docket to be closed administratively once staff verified that the final arbitration agreement is in accordance with the Commission's decisions in this docket and in accordance with Section 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

Under the requirements of 47 U.S.C. § 252(e), arbitrated agreements must be submitted to the state commission for approval. Section 252(e)(4) requires the state to reject or approve an agreement reached through arbitration within 30 days after submission or it shall be deemed approved. The statutory deadline for the Commission to take action on this matter was March 21, 2016.

Staff has reviewed the agreement in this Docket and the agreement is in accordance with the Commission's decisions and with Section 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Therefore, it has gone into effect by operation of law in accordance with Section 252(e)(4) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Accordingly, with this Memorandum, the docket is hereby closed.

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