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April 15, 2014

Ms. Debra A. Howland  
Executive Director  
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission  
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10  
Concord, NH 03301-2429

RE: Interconnection Agreement between TDS Telecom and Freedom Ring Communications, LLC (d/b/a BayRing Communications).

Dear Ms. Howland:

Enclosed please find copies of the original Interconnection Agreement between TDS Telecom and Freedom Ring Communications, LLC (d/b/a BayRing Communications).

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact Thomas Murray at (802) 485-9724 or [Thomas.murray@tdstelecom.com](mailto:Thomas.murray@tdstelecom.com).

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Thomas Murray  
Manager State Affairs

## **INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT**

This Agreement is made effective on the 1st day of April 2014, and is between TDS Telecommunications Corporation, as agent for the New Hampshire operating companies listed in Appendix A ("TDS TELECOM") and Freedom Ring Communications, LLC d/b/a BayRing Communications, a Maine limited liability corporation, with its principal place of business at 359 Corporate Avenue, Portsmouth, NH 03801 ("BayRing").

WHEREAS, the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the "Act") was signed into law on February 8, 1996; and

WHEREAS, section 252(i) of the Act requires TDS TELECOM to make available any interconnection, service, or network element provided under an agreement approved by the appropriate state regulatory body to any other requesting telecommunications carrier upon the same terms and conditions as those provided in the agreement in its entirety; and

WHEREAS, BayRing has requested that TDS TELECOM make available the interconnection agreement in its entirety executed between TDS TELECOM and Comcast Phone of New Hampshire, LLC ("Comcast") dated September 15, 2009.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises and mutual covenants of this Agreement BayRing and TDS TELECOM hereby agree as follows:

1. BayRing and TDS TELECOM shall adopt in its entirety the Comcast Interconnection Agreement dated September 15, 2009 and any and all amendments to said Agreement executed and approved by the appropriate state regulatory commission as of the date of the execution of this Agreement. The Comcast Interconnection Agreement and all amendments are attached hereto as Exhibit 1 and incorporated herein by this reference.
2. The term of this Agreement shall be from the effective date as set forth above and shall expire as set forth in Section 5 of the Comcast Interconnection Agreement.
3. Every notice, consent, approval or other communications required or contemplated by this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be delivered in the case of BayRing to:

BayRing Communications  
Attn: Benjamin P. Thayer, President  
359 Corporate Avenue  
Portsmouth, NH 03801  
(603)-766-1000 voice  
(603)-766-1050 facsimile

In the case of TDS TELECOM to:

TDS TELECOM  
10025 Investment Drive, Suite 200  
Knoxville, TN 37932  
Attention: Carrier Relations  
(865) 966-4700 voice  
(865) 966-4720 facsimile

With a copy to:

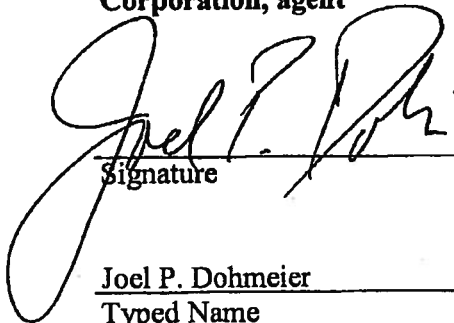
TDS TELECOM  
P.O. Box 5366  
Madison, WI 53705-0366  
Attention: Regulatory & Corporate Counsel

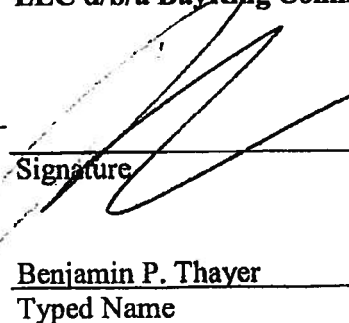
or at such other address as the intended recipient may direct in writing.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement the day and year written below.

By TDS Telecommunications  
Corporation, agent

By Freedom Ring Communications,  
LLC d/b/a BayRing Communications

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Signature Date  
Joel P. Dohmeier  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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 4/3/14  
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Signature Date  
Benjamin P. Thayer  
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Director-Regulated Revenue Strategy &  
Compliance  
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President  
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Signature Page to Interconnection Agreement between TDS Telecom and Freedom Ring Communications, LLC d/b/a BayRing Communications dated April 1, 2014.

**Appendix A**

**Schedule of TDS Telecommunications Corp.  
New Hampshire Companies**

Hollis Telephone Company, Inc. d/b/a TDS Telecom

Kearsarge Telephone Company d/b/a TDS Telecom

Merrimack County Telephone Company d/b/a TDS Telecom

Union Telephone Company d/b/a TDS Telecom

Wilton Telephone Company, Inc. d/b/a TDS Telecom