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Ms. Debra Howland
Executive Director and Secretary
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street
Concord, NH 03301

**Re: Interconnection Agreement Between TDS Telecom and Teleport
Communications America, LLC**

Dear Ms. Howland:

Enclosed for filing are seven (7) paper copies of an "Interconnection Agreement Under Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 Between TDS Telecom and Teleport Communications America, LLC" (the "Agreement"). The Agreement is filed jointly on behalf of TDS Telecommunications Corporation ("TDS Telecom") and Teleport Communications America, LLC ("TCAL").

TDS Telecom and TCAL jointly request that the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission ("NHPUC") approve the Agreement, pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e).

The Agreement is the result of arms-length negotiations between the two parties, does not discriminate against any other telecommunications carrier, and is consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity. Approval of the Agreement will increase competition and will likely benefit New Hampshire consumers.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Counsel for TDS Telecom

Enclosure

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