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Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
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Federal Communications Commission  
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Re: Madison River Telephone Company, LLC,  
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., BellSouth  
Long Distance, Inc., Application for Authorization  
Pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act  
of 1934, as Amended, for Transfer of Control,  
WC Doc. 05-51;

Joint Petition for Waiver of the Definition of  
"Study Area" of the Appendix-Glossary of Part 36  
of the Commission's Rules, Petition for Waiver of  
Sec. 69.3(e)(11) of the Commission's Rules  
CC Docket 96-45  
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Dear Ms: Dortch:

On March 22, 2005 Madison River Telephone Company, LLC ("Madison River") filed a Reply to Opposition in response to an Opposition filed by Pay Tel Communications, Inc. ("Pay Tel") in regard to the above referenced proceedings. The reply stated that Pay Tel's President that the actions taken by Madison River to resolve his concerns should be satisfactory, subject to review of the materials. In a subsequent e-mail, a Pay Tel representative indicated that the actions taken "resolve these issues to our satisfaction." A copy of this e-mail is attached for the record.

Please contact me with any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely yours

  
David Cosson

Counsel to Madison River Telephone Company, Inc.

Attachment  
Cc: Kimberly Jackson

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Amy Reeves [mailto:areeves@paytel.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 23, 2005 1:39 PM  
**To:** Mike Skrivan  
**Subject:** RE: MebTel Acquisition of Milton and Gatewood

Mr. Skrivan:

We appreciate your assistance in resolving the billing and collections issues with customers in the Milton and Gatewood areas, as well as the MebTel service area, and the course of action described below will resolve these issues to our satisfaction.

Amy Reeves, Controller  
Pay Tel Communications, Inc.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Mike Skrivan [mailto:skrivanm@madisonriver.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 23, 2005 10:47 AM  
**To:** 'Areeves@paytel.com'  
**Cc:** 'vtownsend@paytel.com'  
**Subject:** MebTel Acquisition of Milton and Gatewood

Ms. Reeves:

Thank you and Mr. Townsend for taking the time to return my call regarding the billing and collections issues associated with our FCC filings. As we discussed, Pay Tel Communications filed an Opposition to MebTel's FCC filings associated with the acquisition of Milton and Gatewood. These filings address the study area waiver and Section 214 waiver required to complete the transaction. Pay Tel expressed concerns that MebTel has not offered Pay Tel a Billing and Collection agreement for the collect calls placed by Pay Tel into the Milton and Gatewood exchanges.

We researched the situation and found that MebTel has asked its billing and collection clearinghouse vendor, Verisign, to block call records from Zero Plus Dialing (ZPDI), which I understand is now operated by Billing Concepts, Inc. Nevertheless, the ZPDI CIC (Carrier Identification Code) still exists and is used to transmit the subCIC for Pay Tel calls.

In order to resolve this situation, we have instructed Verisign to open the CIC and subCICs required for Pay Tel call records to be sent to MebTel for billing. In addition to opening up the Milton and Gatewood exchanges, this will allow Pay Tel to send call records to MebTel for billing in its Mebane exchange. Attached to this e-mail is a copy of the e-mail and letter sent to Verisign which instructs Verisign to open the CIC and

subCIC. Let me make it clear that our intent is to provide billing and collection services for Pay Tel's inmate services operations. If there are any difficulties encountered, I will personally get involved to work them out.

I have also attached a copy of MebTel's Reply Comments in the FCC proceedings.

Pursuant to our discussion yesterday, you and Mr. Townsend indicated that these actions would resolve Pay Tel's issues. **If you would be so kind as to respond to this e-mail indicating that the course of action described in this e-mail will in fact resolve your issues, that will allow MebTel to provide the information to the Wireline Competition Bureau that this issue has been addressed to your satisfaction.** I certainly do not object to you making whatever contacts you choose to make. I understand that any such contacts should be made to Mr. William Dever. However, if you simply respond to my e-mail, we will be happy to take it from there.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (919) 563-8230 or via e-mail at [skrivanm@madisonriver.net](mailto:skrivanm@madisonriver.net).

Mike Skrivan

<<Reply to Opposition>> <<Mebtel Communications Request concerning Pay Tel Communications>>