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Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 Twelfth St., S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Attn: Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau

Re: WC Docket No. 05-65

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to the First Protective Order in the above-referenced matter, SBC hereby submits an Acknowledgment of Confidentiality executed by one of its employees, Thomas F. Hughes (Vice President -- Federal Regulatory). SBC seeks access for him to the confidential information filed in this docket by Qwest.

Thank you very much for your assistance.

Sincerely,



Scott Feira  
Counsel for SBC Communications Inc.

Attachment

cc: Yaron Dori, Esq.  
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Mr. Gary Remondino  
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## APPENDIX B

## Acknowledgment of Confidentiality

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I hereby acknowledge that I have received and read a copy of the foregoing Protective Order in the above-captioned proceeding, and I understand it. I agree that I am bound by the Protective Order and that I shall not disclose or use Stamped Confidential Documents or Confidential Information except as allowed by the Protective Order. I acknowledge that a violation of the Protective Order is a violation of an order of the Federal Communications Commission.

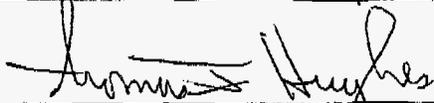
Without limiting the foregoing, to the extent that I have any employment, affiliation or role with any person or entity other than a conventional private law firm (such as, but not limited to, a lobbying or public interest organization), I acknowledge specifically that my access to any information obtained as a result of the Protective Order is due solely to my capacity as Counsel or consultant to a party or other person described in paragraph 4 of the foregoing Protective Order and that I will not use such information in any other capacity nor will I disclose such information except as specifically provided in the Protective Order.

I hereby certify that I am not involved in "competitive decision-making" as that term is used in the definition of In-House Counsel in paragraph 1 of the Protective Order.

I acknowledge that it is my obligation to ensure that: (1) Stamped Confidential Documents and Confidential Information are used only as provided in the Protective Order; and (2) Stamped Confidential Documents are not duplicated except as specifically permitted by the terms of paragraph 9 of the Protective Order, and I certify that I have verified that there are in place procedures, at my firm or office, to prevent unauthorized disclosure of Stamped Confidential Documents or Confidential Information.

Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Order or Protective Order.

Executed at Washington DC this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2005



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