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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Ms. Magalie Roman Salas
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: Discontinuance of International Services &
Relinquishment of Section 214 Authority

Dear Ms. Salas,

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §63.19, Special Procedures for Discontinuances of International Services, Cincinnati Bell Long Distance ("CBLD") seeks to discontinue the provision of international toll services and relinquish its authority to provide such services under Section 214. CBLD hereby amends its original application, filed on December 26, 2000, to include information requested by International Bureau staff.

As an initial matter, CBLD no longer has international or domestic long distance service subscribers. In order to achieve operational efficiencies, Broadwing Inc. consolidated the long distance operations of its wholly owned subsidiaries CBLD and Broadwing Telecommunications Inc. ("Broadwing"). Upon receiving regulatory approvals from state public utility commissions and the Federal Communications Commission, all of CBLD's long distance subscribers were transferred to Broadwing Telecommunications Inc.¹ As required by the Commission's order, Broadwing notified CBLD customers that they would be transferred to Broadwing automatically unless they chose another long distance carrier. Customers were also informed that they would receive service at the same rates provided by CBLD. Upon the completion of the transfer, Broadwing sent customers a second letter welcoming them to Broadwing.² A sample copy of the initial notification, approved by Common Carrier Bureau staff, is attached hereto.

¹ See *Broadwing Telecommunications Inc. Petition for Waiver*, DA 00-748, released March 31, 2000, granting Broadwing a limited waiver of the Commission's authorization and verification requirements, 47 C.F.R. §§64.1100-64.1190.

² As of the date of this letter, approximately 9,000 customers in the greater Cincinnati area have not yet received the second or "welcome" letter. Initial notifications were sent to these customers on December 15, 2000. In compliance with the sixty day notification requirement of 47 C.F.R. §63.19(a), Broadwing plans to mail welcome letters to customers on February 15, 2001.

Sample Customer Notification

Date

Dear CBLD Customer:

We have exciting news to report! As you may know from one of our previous notifications, CBLD's parent company, Cincinnati Bell Inc., recently acquired IXC Communications, Inc. With the completion of the merger, Cincinnati Bell Inc. begin operating as Broadwing, an integrated communications powerhouse, providing voice, data, and Internet solutions to customers nationwide. CBLD is now part of this newly formed Broadwing family.

Since the completion of the merger, Broadwing has decided to consolidate its long distance operations. This consolidation process will enhance our ability to provide you with cost-effective, technically superior services. **Please note, you are not required to do anything to continue receiving the same great service and rates you have always received from CBLD.** Upon receipt of federal regulatory approval and state regulatory notifications, your account will automatically be transferred from CBLD to Broadwing, and Broadwing will become your new long distance carrier. Following the transfer to Broadwing, the only change you will notice is that your bill will come from Broadwing rather than CBLD. There will be no charges assessed to your bill as a result of the transfer.

We are confident you will be pleased with the superior service you receive from Broadwing. We value our relationship and pledge our commitment to providing you with quality services and personalized customer care as we move forward. If you do not wish to receive service from Broadwing, however, please understand that you are free to choose another carrier (subject to any term plan discount arrangements business customers may have with CBLD). If you have any questions about the transfer or Broadwing services, please call a Broadwing service representative at (800) 735-3030.

Sincerely,

Broadwing Telecommunications Inc.