STATE OF ILLINOIS

ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

McDonough Telephone Cooperative, Inc. **and** **Mediacom Telephony of Illinois, LLC** **Joint Petition for Approval of Interconnection Agreement Between McDonough Telephone Cooperative, Inc. and Mediacom Telephony of Illinois, LLC pursuant to 47 USC § 252**	: : : : : : : : :	**Docket No. _____**

JOINT PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN MCDONOUGH TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC. AND MEDIACOM TELEPHONY OF ILLINOIS, LLC

McDonough Telephone Cooperative, Inc. ("McDonough") and Mediacom Telephony of Illinois, LLC ("Mediacom") through their respective counsel and pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 47 USC. § 252(e), (the "Act"), hereby request that the Commission review and approve on an expedited basis the attached Interconnection Agreement dated October 20, 2009 ("Agreement"), which has been adopted by Mediacom pursuant to Section 252(i) of the Act. Expedited approval is requested so that Mediacom and McDonough may proceed to operate promptly under the terms of the Agreement. In support of their request, the parties state as follows:

1. The Agreement is a result of Mediacom's adoption of the terms of the Interconnection Agreement between McDonough and Sprint Communications Company, L.P., dated April 7, 2006, and its associated Amendments, pursuant to Section 252(i) of the Act. The Commission has already reviewed and approved that agreement.

2. As set forth in the attached Verification of Bill Buchanan, McDonough will make the Agreement available to any other telecommunications carrier operating within its territory. Other carriers are also free to negotiate their own terms and conditions pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Act. For this reason, the Agreement is not discriminatory.

3. In addition, Daniel P. Templin's Verification demonstrates that implementation of the Agreement is consistent with the public interest because it will promote facilities-based local exchange competition and enhance Mediacom's ability to provide Illinois telecommunications users with a facilities-based, competitive alternative for local telephone services.

4. Copies of the Agreement are available for public inspection in McDonough and Mediacom's public offices.

WHEREFORE, McDonough and Mediacom respectfully request that the Commission approve the attached interconnection agreement under Section 252(e) of the Act as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully submitted this 21st day of January 2010.

MEYER CAPEL
A Professional Corporation

By: _____
Joseph D. Murphy
306 W. Church Street
P.O. Box 6750
Champaign, IL 61820
Tel. (217) 352-0030
Fax (217) 352-9294
e-mail: jmurphy@meyercapel.com

Attorney for:
McDonough Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

Kelley Drye & Warren LLP

By: _____
Henry T. Kelly
333 West Wacker Drive, 26th Floor
Chicago, IL 60606
Tel. (312) 857-2350
Fax (312) 857-7095
Email: HKelly@KelleyDrye.com

Attorney for:
Mediacom Telephony of Illinois, LLC

STATE OF ILLINOIS

ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

McDonough Telephone Cooperative, Inc. **and** **Mediacom Telephony of Illinois, LLC** **Joint Petition for Approval of Interconnection Agreement Between McDonough Telephone Cooperative, Inc. and Mediacom Telephony of Illinois, LLC pursuant to 47 USC § 252**	: : : : : : : : :	**Docket No. _____**

STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF JOINT PETITION FOR APPROVAL

I, Bill Buchanan, am the President of McDonough Telephone Cooperative, Inc., and submit this Statement in Support of the Joint Petition for Approval of a Interconnection Agreement between McDonough Telephone Cooperative, Inc. and Mediacom Telephony of Illinois, LLC.

The attached interconnection agreement (the "Agreement") between McDonough Telephone Cooperative, Inc. ("McDonough") and Mediacom Telephony of Illinois, Inc. ("Mediacom") represents McDonough's compliance with Mediacom's statutory rights under Section 252(i) of the Act. Accordingly, McDonough and Mediacom request approval pursuant to Sections 252(a)(i) and 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (sometimes referred to as the "Act").

In accordance with Section 252(i) of the Act, Mediacom adopted the terms of the Interconnection Agreement between McDonough and Sprint Communications Company, L.P., dated April 7, 2006. The Agreement establishes the financial and operational terms for: the transport and termination of local traffic between McDonough and Mediacom networks based on

mutual and reciprocal compensation. Absent the receipt by one party of written notice from the other party not earlier than 60 calendar days prior to the expiration of the term to the effect that such party does not intend to extend the term, the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect on and after the expiration of the term until terminated by either party.

The Agreement has been executed by both parties and is being submitted to the Commission for approval pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Act. Under the Act, the Commission may reject the Agreement only if the Agreement or a portion thereof "...discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement" or "...implementation of such agreement or portion is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity".

The Agreement is not discriminatory. McDonough will make the Agreement available to any other telecommunications carrier operating within McDonough's service territory. Other telecommunications carriers can negotiate their own arrangements pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Act.

The Agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity. It is a comprehensive agreement that tailors the interconnection and service arrangements previously approved by the Commission to meet the individual needs of the parties and thereby will promote local exchange competition -- one of the primary purposes of the Act and a long-standing goal of this Commission. The Agreement will enhance Mediacom's ability to quickly begin providing customers in McDonough's service territory with a competitive alternative for their local exchange service. Under the Agreement, customers will be able to choose between local service providers, they will be able to change companies without changing telephone numbers, and customers of either company will be able to call customers of the other within the same local calling area without dialing special codes.

The Agreement meets all the requirements of the Act and the parties respectfully request that it be approved.

STATE OF ILLINOIS

ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

McDonough Telephone Cooperative, Inc. and Mediacom Telephony of Illinois, LLC	:	**Docket No. _____**
Joint Petition for Approval of Interconnection Agreement Between McDonough Telephone Cooperative, Inc. and Mediacom Telephony of Illinois, LLC pursuant to 47 USC § 252	:	

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS.
COUNTY OF COOK)

VERIFICATION OF BILL BUCHANAN

I, Bill Buchanan, being first duly sworn and on oath state that I am the President of McDonough Telephone Cooperative, Inc., and am competent to testify that I have read the Joint Petition for Approval of Interconnection Agreement Between McDonough Telephone Cooperative, Inc. and Mediacom Telephony of Illinois, LLC submitted to the Illinois Commerce Commission (the "Joint Petition"), that I am familiar with facts sets forth in the Joint Petition, and those facts are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Bill Buchanan

Subscribed and sworn before me
This 11th day of January 2010

Pamela Jo Downey
NOTARY PUBLIC

"OFFICIAL SEAL"
PA[illegible]
Notar[illegible]
My Comm[illegible]013

"OFFICIAL SEAL"
PAMELA JO DOWNEY
Notary Public, State of Illinois
My Commission Expires 08/14/2013

STATE OF ILLINOIS

ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

McDonough Telephone Cooperative, Inc. and Mediacom Telephony of Illinois, LLC	:	**Docket No. _____**
Joint Petition for Approval of Interconnection Agreement Between McDonough Telephone Cooperative, Inc. and Mediacom Telephony of Illinois, LLC pursuant to 47 USC § 252	:	

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS.
COUNTY OF COOK)

VERIFICATION OF DANIEL P. TEMPLIN

I, Daniel P. Templin, being first duly sworn and on oath state that I am the Group Vice President Strategic Marketing and Product Development of Mediacom Telephony of Illinois, LLC, and am competent to testify that I have read the Joint Petition for Approval of Interconnection Agreement Between McDonough Telephone Cooperative, Inc. and Mediacom Telephony of Illinois, LLC submitted to the Illinois Commerce Commission (the "Joint Petition"), that I am familiar with facts sets forth in the Joint Petition, and those facts are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Daniel P. Templin

Subscribed and sworn before me
This 12th day of January 2010

NOTARY PUBLIC

James McKnight
Notary Public, State of New York
Qualified in Orange County
Commission Expires 9/28/2013