Name February 11, 2005

Address City state zip

## Dear Valued Customer:

In our continuing efforts to streamline operations, we are pleased to announce that SBC Telecom, Inc. ("Telecom") – your current phone service provider – will combine business operations with its affiliate SBC Long Distance, LLC in Oregon and elsewhere.

As a result of this internal change, the SBC Long Distance will replace SBC Telecom on your billing documentation on May 1, 2005. This consolidation of SBC affiliate companies is subject to obtaining all required regulatory approvals, and the filing of all appropriate documents with state agencies.

The transition of all of your service to the new SBC Long Distance will have no impact on your service whatsoever.

- You will not incur charges related to the transfer of your services to SBC Long Distance.
- You will continue to receive quality local services with the same rates, features, terms and
  conditions as you currently enjoy from Telecom. At this time, SBC Long Distance does not
  anticipate making any changes to your current rates, features, terms and conditions; however,
  should it deem it necessary to do so in the future, SBC Long Distance will continue its practice of
  notifying subscribers by putting a message in your bill in advance of the change.
- This change will happen automatically with no action required on your part, and will be virtually seamless to you.

You may, of course, choose another local telephone service provider prior to the transfer date, subject to any termination restrictions in your service arrangement with Telecom. Unless you choose another service provider or disconnect your service prior to the transfer date, your account will automatically move to SBC Long Distance. SBC Long Distance will be responsible for handling any complaints filed or otherwise raised by you prior to or during the transfer to SBC Long Distance.

We in the SBC family appreciate your business and look forward to continuing to serve you.

If you have questions, please contact Telecom or SBC Long Distance at 1-877-430-7228, or by mail at 1010 N Saint Mary's Street, #13L, San Antonio TX 78215-2109.

Thank you for choosing the SBC family of companies.

Sincerely,

SBC Telecom, Inc. SBC Long Distance, LLC

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

In the Matter of SBC TELECOM,	)	NOTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
INC.	)	OAR 860-032-0020(11)(b)
	)	

Pursuant to OAR 860-032-0020(11)(b), attached hereto, please find a copy of the notification that SBC Telecom, Inc. ("Telecom") has sent to customers in Oregon on February 11, 2005 of Telecom's proposed "abandonment" of local service in Oregon on May 1, 2005. Telecom is not seeking to cancel its certificate of authority at this time. This will be done in a later filing.

Telecom provides local exchange service to 144 customers in Oregon. (In a filing yesterday, Telecom said it had 132 customers. Because 12 customers were recently added, it is now 144 customers.) The only providers who are affected are Telecom and SBC Long Distance, Inc. ("SBC Long Distance"), the provider to whom the customers will be transferred. In addition, Telecom has an interconnection agreement with Qwest that will be assumed by SBC Long Distance.

Telecom is a competitive provider in the State of Oregon. The Commission issued

Telecom a certificate of authority on May 16, 2000. *Re Application of SBC Telecom, Inc.*, CP

763, Order No. 00-257.

SBC Telecom, Inc. is affiliated with SBC Long Distance, Inc. They are both wholly-owned subsidiary of SBC Communications Inc. SBC Long Distance, Inc. also provides local exchange service, as well as interexchange service in Oregon. The Commission issued SBC Long Distance a certificate of authority on March 23, 2004 (*Re Southwestern Bell* 

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Communications Services Inc., dba SBC Long Distance, CP 1218, Order No. 04-168), an earlier certificate September 17, 2002 (Re Southwestern Bell Communications Services, Inc., CP 1081, CP 322, Order No. 02-655), and also an earlier certificate on August 22, 1997. Southwestern Bell Communications Services, Inc., CP 322, Order No. 97-328.

These wholly-owned subsidiaries of SBC Communications Inc. are in the process of undergoing a national reorganization. Pursuant to that reorganization, all of the assets and liabilities of Telecom are going to be transferred to SBC Long Distance and SBC Long Distance, in turn, is going to become a subsidiary of Telecom. (SBC Long Distance is going to change its corporate form to an LLC, and will become known as SBC Long Distance, LLC d/b/a SBC Long Distance.)

As a part of the national transfer from Telecom to SBC Long Distance, local service customers in Oregon will be transferred as well. For these Telecom customers, the transfer will be absolutely seamless. They will receive the very same service at the very same rates from SBC Long Distance as they did from Telecom. They will not have to "re-apply" for service. Telecom has not collected advanced payments or deposits so no notification about advance payments or deposits is necessary. OAR 860-032-0020 (5)(j). Telecom *customers* are in no sense being abandoned. For them, the proposed transfer is the functional equivalent of a provider name change. The proposed transfer is also consistent with OAR 860-032-0020(11)(c), which provides that competitive providers complying with subsections (11)(a) and (11)(b) may transfer customers to another telecommunications provider, including an affiliated company, without requiring affirmative approval from affected customers. The national transfer is scheduled to take place on April 30, 2005, and thus the "abandonment" of service by Telecom will occur

effective May 1, 2005. As previously stated, no customers will be required to re-apply for service, and there are no deposits or advance payments at issue.

Telecom is complying with OAR 860-032-0020(6), and is sending a notification to Oregon Emergency Management and to the appropriate Enhanced 9-1-1 database provider(s), with copies to the appropriate ILECs, the Commission and Oregon Emergency Management.

Telecom does not expect there to be any "remaining" Enhanced 9-1-1 database records belonging to Telecom after the transfer to SBC Long Distance.

DATED this 11th day of February, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

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By: /s/

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February 11, 2005

By E-Mail and Regular Mail

Clerk Public Utility Commission of Oregon P.O. Box 2148 Salem, Oregon 97308-2148

Re: In the Matter of SBC Telecom, Inc.

Dear Clerk:

Enclosed please find an original and one copy of Notification Pursuant to OAR 860-032-0020(11)(b).

Thank you.

Yours truly,

/s/

John W. Stephens

JWS/mec cc: Client Enclosures

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