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1. Name of conveying party(ies): Mellon Bank, N.A., as Collateral Agent One Mellon Bank Center Pittsburgh, PA 15258 5-23-02
Individual(s) Association General Partnership Limited Partnership Corporation-State Other national banking association
Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? Yes No

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies) Toledo Area Telecommunications Services, Inc. Internal Address: Street Address: 5566 Southwyck Boulevard City: Toledo State: OH Zip: 43614
Individual(s) citizenship Association General Partnership Limited Partnership Corporation-State Ohio Other
If assignee is not domiciled in the United States, a domestic representative designation is attached: Yes No (Designations must be a separate document from assignment) Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? Yes No

3. Nature of conveyance: Assignment Merger Security Agreement Change of Name Other Service Marks and Pending Applications
Execution Date: May 9, 2002

4. Application number(s) or registration number(s): A. Trademark Application No.(s) See SCHEDULE A of the Termination of Lien on Trademarks, Service Marks and Pending Applications attached hereto. B. Trademark Registration No.(s) See SCHEDULE A of the Termination of Lien on Trademarks, Service Marks and Pending Applications attached hereto. Additional number(s) attached Yes No

5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed: Name: Terry L. Witcher, Legal Assistant Internal Address: Helms Mulliss & Wicker, PLLC Street Address: 201 North Tryon Street City: Charlotte State: NC Zip: 28202

6. Total number of applications and registrations involved: 3
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Schedule A
SECURED PROPERTIES

Trademark Application Serial Numbers

<u>MARK</u>	<u>SERIAL NUMBER</u>	<u>FILING DATE</u>
ON THE LEVEL	75/868,553	12/8/99

Trademark Registration Numbers

<u>MARK</u>	<u>REGISTRATION NUMBER</u>	<u>REGISTRATION DATE</u>
BUCKEYE TELESYSTEM	2,088,375	8/12/97
BUCKEYE TELESYSTEM AND DESIGN	2,396,680	10/24/00
BUCKEYE TELESYSTEM (Ohio State Fictitious Name)	FN75405	3/30/96
BUCKEYE TELESYSTEM (Idaho State)	16479	9/27/99



TERMINATION OF LIEN
ON TRADEMARKS, SERVICE MARKS
AND PENDING APPLICATIONS

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Agreement of Lien On Trademarks, Service Marks and Pending Applications dated as of December 21, 2001 (the "AGREEMENT OF LIEN"), and pursuant to the Security Agreement dated as of December 21, 2001, as amended, modified or supplemented from time to time, ("the SECURITY AGREEMENT") (the AGREEMENT OF LIEN and the SECURITY AGREEMENT, collectively, the "SECURITY DOCUMENTS") by and among **Toledo Area Telecommunications, Inc.** (the "GRANTOR"), the Borrower, certain other subsidiaries of the Borrower, the Secured Parties, and Mellon Bank, N.A., as Collateral Agent (the "COLLATERAL AGENT") pursuant to the Collateral Agency Agreement, the COLLATERAL AGENT was granted a security interest or lien, for the benefit of the Secured Parties pursuant to the Security Agreement, in and to certain marks, registrations thereof and pending applications therefor, together with the goodwill of the business symbolized by such marks, of the GRANTOR as security for the full and timely payment and performance of the Secured Obligations, said marks, registrations thereof and pending applications therefor further identified in Schedule A attached hereto (the properties identified in Schedule A hereinafter collectively referred to as the "SECURED PROPERTIES"), said AGREEMENT OF LIEN having been sent for recordation at the United States Patent and Trademark Office on April 5, 2002; and

WHEREAS, the COLLATERAL AGENT is willing to terminate and release any and all security interests or liens in and on any of the property or assets of GRANTOR, including the SECURED PROPERTIES.

NOW, THEREFORE, intending to be legally bound hereby, the COLLATERAL AGENT releases and terminates all security interests in or liens on the SECURED PROPERTIES identified in Schedule A attached hereto.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the COLLATERAL AGENT has caused this Termination Of Lien on GRANTOR'S SECURED PROPERTIES to be executed by its officer thereunto duly authorized, as of the date written below.

MELLON BANK, N.A.
as Collateral Agent

By: Raghunatha Reddy
Name: Raghunatha Reddy
Title: Lending Officer

Sworn to and subscribed before me
this 9th day of May, 2002.

Christina M. Gilpin
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

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