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RIGHT OF WAY AND EASEMENT AGREEMENT

For and in the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00), and other valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned, herein called Grantor (whether one or more), hereby grants, sells, conveys, and warrants unto Level 3, a Delaware LLC corporation operating as a specialized communications common carrier and telephone public utility, whose mailing address is 14023 Denver W. Parkway, Golden, Colorado, 80401, its successors and assigns, herein called Grantee, a perpetual easement and right of way (hereinafter, together with the rights and privileges herein granted, the "Easement"), together with all improvements located thereon, with a width and centerline as indicated below, to locate, survey, construct, maintain, inspect, operate, protect, repair, alter, replace, change the size of, relocate, establish, lay, install, test, substitute, renew, reconstruct, restore, abandon, and remove underground communications system(s) together with necessary underground conduits, cables, wires, underground splicing boxes, and any other appurtenances thereto, at any time or times for the transmission of data or communications (including, without limitation, pipeline data) for and by others upon and along a route or routes to be selected by Grantee, on, in, the under, through, and across the following described land (the "Property") located in the County of Shelby, State of Alabama, to wit:

22.060 acres of land being Tract 5, according to the survey of Crossbrook Farms, Third Sector, in Shelby, Co., AL; being the property described in that certain Warranty Deed dated October 30, 1992, recorded under Volume 1992, Page 0025609, dated November 3, 1992, in Register of Deeds of Shelby County, Alabama.

together with the right of ingress and egress to, from, and along the Easement and the right to use gates and existing roads for the aforesaid purposes (Grantce shall and does hereby agree to restore any damage to such lands, gates, or roads caused by its use thereof) and together with a temporary ossument to provide work space along and adjacent to the Easement as Grantee, in its sole discretion, may does necessary from time-to-time.

The communications system(s) shall be installed across the Property within, and the temporary easement shall be limited to, the area of the Property on either side of the 10-inch pipeline owned by Plantation Pipe Line Company, as such pipeline is located as of the date of this instrument. The Easement shall be located either inside of or along Plantation Pipe Line Company's pipeline and extend for five feet on each side of such pipeline.

Grantee shall, restore the surface of the Easement and temporary easement as nearly as reasonably practical to its original grade and level after performing any construction or other work that disturbs the surface. Grantee shall cause reasonable payment to be made for actual damages to crops, timber, and improvements of Granter directly resulting from the exercise, now or in the future, of the rights herein granted; provided, however, that Grantee may elect, at Grantee's sole option, to restore crops, timber, or improvements to the pre-existing or equivalent or better condition (or replace fencing with gates) in lieu of paying damages; and provided further that after a communications system(s) has been constructed hereunder. Grantee shall not be liable for damages caused to trees, undergrowth, and brush removed from the Easement by Grantee.

All oil, gas, and other minerals are reserved to Grantor, provided that Grantor shall not use a method of extraction that interferes with or impairs in any way the exercise of Grantee's rights herein or the operation of Grantee's facilities. Grantor shall have the right to use and enjoy the above described premises except that Grantor shall not interfere with or impair or permit others to interfere with or impair in any way the exercise of the rights herein granted to Grantee or the operation of Grantee's facilities.

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Further, Grantee shall have the right from time-to-time to cut and keep clear obstructions or vegeration that may injure, endanger, o interfere with the use, maintenance, or inspection of the communications system(s).

Granter shall not nor shall Granter permit others to construct, create, or maintain any road, reservoir, excavation, obstruction, structure building, or improvement of any kind, or change the land grade on, over, along, or across the area of the Easement without the prio written consent of Grantee (which shall not be unreasonably withheld). Regardless of whether Grantee's consent is obtained. Granto assumes and shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless Grantee from all costs, loss, damage, expense, including attorneys' fees, cour costs, and other costs of litigation, or cizims of any nature arising from any acts or conditions described in the preceding sentence.

Subject to the terms hereof, Grantee shall have all other rights and benefits necessary or useful to the full and complete enjoyment and use of the Easement for the purposes stated herein.

No rights reserved to Grantor herein shall be deemed to expand rights reserved to Grantor under any other easement. No limitation herein on the rights of Grantee shall be deemed to limit rights heretofore granted by Grantor or its predecessors in interest under any

The terms and provisions of this Agreement shall constitute covenants running with the land and shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto, their successors, assigns, personal representatives, and heirs. Grantor releases and waives all rights, if any, as against Grantee under and by virtue of dower, curtesy, and homestead exemption of the State of Alabama.

This instrument fully sets forth the terms and conditions of the Agreement. There are no oral or other written agreements between Grantor and Grantce that modify, alter, or amend this Agreement.

Grantee may divide, subdivide, or apportion, and may lease, assign, transfer, mortgage, or encumber, all or any part of the Eastment,

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the Easement, temporary casement, rights and privileges unto Grantee, its successors and assigns forever, seand Grantor hereby binds Grantor, Grantor's heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, to warrant and forever defend all and singular the Easement, temporary casement, and the property, rights, privileges, and interests above described, unto Grantee, its successors and assigns, against every person whomsoever claiming or to claim the same or any part thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Grantor has signed and sealed this instrument as of 9 day of December. 1999.

GRANTOR: SUZEMEN S. BOWERMEN

Signed, scaled, and delivered

In the presence of:

UNOFFICIAL WITNESS

NOTARY PUBLIC

My commission expires: MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 8-24-2003

Signed, sealed, and delivered in the presence of:

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My commission expires: MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 812142011

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