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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE SIXTH CIRCUIT

No. 07-2469 MICHIGAN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY. *Plaintiff-Appellee*, v. COVAD COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY; TALK AMERICA, INC.; XO COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, INC., Intervenors Defendants-Appellants, MCLEODUSA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, INC.; TDS METROCOM, LLC, Intervenors, J. PETER LARK, Commissioner; LAURA CHAPPELLE; MONICA MARTINEZ, Defendants. <u>No. 07-2473</u> MICHIGAN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY, *Plaintiff-Appellee*, v. LAURA CHAPPELLE; J. PETER LARK; MONICA MARTINEZ, Defendants-Appellants, COVAD COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY; TALK AMERICA, INC.; MCLEODUSA **TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, INC.; TDS** METROCOM, LLC; XO COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, INC., Intervenors.

On Remand from the United States Supreme Court. No. 06-11982—Julian A. Cook, Jr., District Judge.

Argued: December 10, 2008

Decided and Filed: March 26, 2012

Before: BATCHELDER, Chief Judge; GILMAN and SUTTON, Circuit Judges.

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OPINION

ALICE M. BATCHELDER, Chief Judge. On appeal of this case to the United States Supreme Court, the Court reversed our prior holding and held that the incumbent local exchange carrier, Michigan Bell, must lease its existing entrance facilities for interconnection at cost-based rates. *Talk Am., Inc. v. Mich. Bell Tel. Co.*, 564 U.S. --, 131 S. Ct. 2254, 2260 (2011).

Consequently, we REVERSE the district court's judgment to the contrary and REMAND this case to the district court with instructions to enter an Order consistent with the Supreme Court's opinion.