BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Resolution by the TAYLOR) DOCKET NO. 930235-TL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS) ORDER NO. PSC-93-1411-CFO-TL for countywide extended area) ISSUED: September 29, 1993 service (EAS) within Taylor) County.

ORDER GRANTING REQUEST FOR SPECIFIED CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION OF DOCUMENT NO. 6671-93

BY THE COMMISSION:

Pursuant to a resolution filed by the Board of County Commissioners of Taylor County, we have been requested to consider requiring implementation of extended area service (EAS) between all exchanges in Taylor County. Taylor County contains all or part of the Perry, Keaton Beach, and Cross City exchanges. The Cross City exchange is served by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company (Southern Bell) and is located in the Gainesville LATA (local access transport area), while the Perry and Keaton Beach exchanges are served by Gulf Telephone Company (Gulf) and are located in the Tallahassee Market Area (LATA).

By Order No. PSC-93-0434-PCO-TL, issued March 22, 1993, this Commission directed Southern Bell and Gulf to perform certain traffic studies so that we could further evaluate the resolution. On June 22, 1993, Gulf filed the traffic study, along with a request for specified confidential classification of certain portions of the traffic study data, as identified in Appendix "A" to this Order. To correct a deficiency in its original filing, Gulf also filed a supplement to its request on September 17, 1993. Gulf's request for confidential treatment has not been opposed by any party to this proceeding.

The information for which Gulf has requested specified confidential classification is proprietary business information obtained by Gulf from AT&T Communications of the Southern States, Inc. (AT&T), pursuant to a nondisclosure agreement. Gulf receives this information by virtue of its billing and recording services provided to AT&T. Contracts between Gulf and AT&T require Gulf to keep the information confidential. In addition, Gulf asserts that it keeps similar, intraLATA data of its own confidential, as well. According to Gulf, the information consists of detailed statistics regarding the number of messages, minutes, and revenues for the toll routes at issue in this docket. If the information is publicly disclosed, Gulf argues that AT&T would be harmed because

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the information will allow AT&T's competitors to target the most profitable toll routes. According to Gulf, this would skew the competitive process, to the ultimate detriment of the customers.

Upon review, I find that the data identified in Appendix "A" to this Order is proprietary confidential business information pursuant to Section 364.183, Florida Statutes. As such, it shall be kept confidential and shall be exempt from Section 119.07(1), Florida Statutes.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by Commissioner Luis J. Lauredo, as Prehearing Officer, that the Request for Specified Confidential Classification filed by Gulf Telephone Company, on June 22, 1993, and supplemented on September 17, 1993, is hereby granted pursuant to Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, and Section 364.183, Florida Statutes, for the reasons set forth herein. It is further

ORDERED that pursuant to Section 364.183, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, any confidentiality granted to the documents specified herein shall expire eighteen (18) months from the date of issuance of this Order in the absence of a renewed request for confidentiality pursuant to Section 364.183. It is further

ORDERED that this Order will be the only notification by the Commission to the parties concerning the expiration of the confidentiality time period.

By ORDER of Commissioner Luis J. Lauredo, as Prehearing Officer, this 29th day of September _____, 1993.

LUIS J. LAUREDO, Commissioner and Prehearing Officer

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.59(4), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Any party adversely affected by this order, which is preliminary, procedural or intermediate in nature, may request: (1) reconsideration within 10 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.038(2), Florida Administrative Code, if issued by a Prehearing Officer; (2) reconsideration within 15 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by the Commission; or (3) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court, in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility, or the First District Court of Appeal, in the case of a water or wastewater utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code. Judicial review of a preliminary, procedural or intermediate ruling or order is available if review of the final action will not provide an adequate remedy. review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.

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