BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

SUSAN F. CLARK, Chairman J. TERRY DEASON JOE GARCIA JULIA L. JOHNSON DIANE K. KIESLING

ORDER ELIMINATING CERTAIN PERIODIC REPORTS REQUIRED TO BE FILED BY LOCAL EXCHANGE COMPANIES

BY THE COMMISSION:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Florida Public Service Commission that the action discussed herein is preliminary in nature and will become final unless a person whose interests are substantially affected files a petition for a formal proceeding, pursuant to Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code.

We have, on occasion, required local exchange companies (LECs) to submit periodic reports per orders issued in various dockets. We believe that some of these reports can be eliminated. This order addresses each such report.

1. LEC Access Charge Billing Units Quarterly Reports

These reports were required per Order No. 14145 issued March 6, 1985, in Docket No. 820537-TP, the original proceeding that established access charge rates and policies following the divestiture of AT&T. These particular reports were instituted to monitor the growth and direction of switched access. Hence, they contain billing unit data for each of the switched access rate elements: Busy Hour Minute of Capacity (BHMOC), Carrier Common Line (CCL), Local Transport, Line Termination, and Local Switching. We have been receiving these reports from LECs for over ten years.

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We believe that they can now be eliminated in their entirety since the toll market in Florida has become highly competitive and the monitoring function is no longer necessary. If switched access billing unit information is ever needed, we will specifically request it at that time. In addition, information on LEC access charge revenues can be obtained from regularly filed annual reports and surveillance reports.

2. LEC Information Services Reports

These reports were required to be filed by Order No. 21815 issued September 5, 1989, in Docket No. 880423-TP, our investigation into the interconnection of Information Services Providers (ISPs) with LEC facilities. The reports were initiated to monitor the geographic and technical development of the information services market. They require LECs to identify the number of Basic Service Elements (BSEs) requested by ISPs, and the LEC's plan for offering the requested service if it were not already available. In general, the level of ISP activity in Florida, according to the reports, is much less than originally predicted. Only the four major LECs were required to report regularly. No BSE requests have been reported by small LECs. We do not require this information any longer. The data consists primarily of billing units for custom calling features. If the need arises, we will request the information on a case-by-case basis.

Capital Recovery Monitoring Reports

This report was required to be filed by Order No. 24262, issued March 20, 1991, in Docket No. 890256-TL, Review of Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company's (BellSouth) Capital Recovery Position. The report was originally required to monitor the amount of fiber cable being placed in BellSouth's distribution system, and the number of residential lines served by fiber. Since BellSouth has converted to price cap regulation, we believe that we will no longer require this information to be filed on a regular basis. If a specific need for this type of information ever arises, we will request it at that time.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the requirements to submit the Local Exchange Company Access Charge Billing Units Quarterly Reports, Local Exchange Company Information Services Reports, and Capital Recovery Monitoring Reports are

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hereby eliminated as set forth in the body of this Order. It is further

ORDERED that the provisions of this Order, issued as proposed agency action, shall become final and effective unless an appropriate petition, in the form provided by Rule 25-22.036, Florida Administrative Code, is received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, by the close of business on the date set forth in the "Notice of Further Proceedings or Judicial Review" attached hereto. It is further

ORDERED that, in the event this Order becomes final, this Docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 2nd day of July, 1996.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director

Division of Records and Reporting

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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.

The action proposed herein is preliminary in nature and will not become effective or final, except as provided by Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code. Any person whose

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substantial interests are affected by the action proposed by this order may file a petition for a formal proceeding, as provided by Rule 25-22.029(4), Florida Administrative Code, in the form provided by Rule 25-22.036(7)(a) and (f), Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, by the close of business on July 23, 1996.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become effective on the day subsequent to the above date as provided by Rule 25-22.029(6), Florida Administrative Code.

Any objection or protest filed in this docket before the issuance date of this order is considered abandoned unless it satisfies the foregoing conditions and is renewed within the specified protest period.

If this order becomes final and effective on the date described above, any party substantially affected may request judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or by the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water or wastewater utility by filing a notice of appeal with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this order, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900(a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.