BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: REQUEST BY SOUTHERN BELL) DOCKET NO 881569-TL TELEPHONE COMPANY TO MODIFY ITS TARIFF TO) ORDER NO. 20776 MAKE 900 ACCESS SERVICE AVAILABLE TO ALL) ISSUED: IXCS.

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Commissioners participated in the following disposition of this matter:

> MICHAEL McK. WILSON, Chairman ... THOMAS M. BEARD BETTY EASLEY JOHN T. HERNDON

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

BY THE COMMISSION:

On December 9, 1988, the Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company (Southern Bell) filed proposed tariff revisions to make available "900" Switched Access Service to interexchange companies (IXCs), allowing all IXCs to provide their customers this special dialing arrangement. Previously all Southern Bell 900 calls were routed to AT&T Communications Company of the Southern States, Inc. (ATT-C).

This service is similar to the 800 service where customers acquire a telephone number beginning with 1-800 (in this case 1-900) followed by a seven digit number (NXX-XXXX). The principle difference being that callers associate 800 service with toll-free usage to the caller, while 900 callers pay a flat rate per call.

Southern Bell will perform six-digit screening on each originating 900 call in order to identify the appropriate IXC. and then will deliver the 900 calls accordingly. 900 Access Service will use the North American Numbering Plan (NXX) under which distinct NXX codes will be assigned by the designated administrator of the Plan to new and existing IXCs offering 900 service. The IXCs will then assign 900-NXX-XXXX numbers to their subscribers. The calls will be routed over an IXC's FG C or D trunks or, at its option, over the IXC's dedicated line. All recurring access charges associated with FG C or D, or a dedicated line will apply. Provisioning is technically capable from all end offices, both equal and non-equal access. Equal access offices capable of six digit translations will route 900 traffic over the IXC's regular Feature Group C or D trunk group either directly or via the access tandem. From a non-equal access office, 900 traffic will be routed to the access tandem where the six digit translation and IXC identification function will be performed. IXCs must notify Southern Bell at least two business days before any event using 900 Access Service for which a substantial call volume is expected during a short period of time.

This service establishes the 900 Access Service NXX Activation Charge as a nonrecurring rate element to recover the cost of implementing this function for each IXC.

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Concurrent with the 900 filing, Southern Bell has proposed to establish an 800 Access Service nonrecurring charge to recover the cost of establishing new customers. This new nonrecurring charge for 800 Access Service will affect no customers with currently active 800 Access NXX codes, as only the establishment of new NXX codes will incur this one time service cost. This charge will be consistent with the proposed 900 Access Service nonrecurring rates and with Southern Bell's interstate 800 Access Service nonrecurring rates.

Finally, Southern Bell has proposed to delete reference to an 800 IC Identification Charge in its tariff. We originally denied Southern Bell's request to assess this charge at the time of the establishment of its 800 Access Service, by our decision that the associated investment costs were related to the provision of equal access. Southern Bell now proposes to delete all references to that charge in its tariff.

This offering is of substantial interest to the IXC community as it allows them access to a formidable marketing program. The nonrecurring charges are based on the proper costs to establish the calling plans for an IXC. Therefore, we find that these tariff revisions should be approved.

Therefore, based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the proposed tariff of Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company to make available "900" Switched Access Service to all interexchange companies is hereby approved. It is further

ORDERED that this docket be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 20th day of FEBRUARY , 1989 .

STEVE TRIBBLE, 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 3Section 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.

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Any party adversely affected by the Commission's final action in this matter may request: 1) reconsideration of the decision by filing a motion for reconsideration with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting within fifteen (15) days of the issuance of this order in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code; or 2) 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 sewer 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 after the issuance 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.