

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Proposed tariff filing) DOCKET NO. 930128-TL
to revise Call Tracing rates by) ORDER NO. PSC-93-0323-FOF-TL
BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS,) ISSUED: 03/03/93
INC. d/b/a SOUTHERN BELL)
TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY)
_____)

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

J. TERRY DEASON, Chairman
THOMAS M. BEARD
SUSAN F. CLARK
JULIA L. JOHNSON
LUIS J. LAUREDO

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF FILING

BY THE COMMISSION:

On December 15, 1992, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company (Southern Bell or the Company) filed tariff revisions proposing to reduce its rates for Call Tracing service. Call Tracing service is a TouchStar feature that allows a customer to trace the last incoming call to her access line. The information is sent to the Company's security department where it is recorded. The customer does not receive the traced number.

By Order No. 25365, issued November 20, 1991, the Commission approved Southern Bell's Call Tracing tariff with a rate of \$4.50 per trace. However, that rate was based on estimated costs, so the Commission also ordered the Company to file a report by December 31, 1992, on actual costs for 1992. Southern Bell's actual costs for Call Tracing service are approximately \$3.06. The Company also filed this tariff revision proposing to lower its Call Tracing rate by \$1.00 to \$3.50 per successful trace.

We believe that the Company's proposal is appropriate. The new rate ensures cost coverage and enables the Company to maintain the service offering at an affordable rate. We have previously found a high degree of public utility in Call Tracing service, such that the usual high contribution percentages of custom calling and TouchStar features should not apply. With this filing, Southern Bell's rate for Call Tracing is more appropriately near its cost to provide the service. Accordingly, we hereby approve Southern Bell's tariff as filed.

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Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company's tariff filing revising Call Tracing rates is hereby approved, effective February 16, 1993. It is further

ORDERED that if a protest is filed in accordance with the requirement set forth below, the tariff shall remain in effect with any increase in revenues held subject to refund pending resolution of the protest. It is further

ORDERED that if no protest is filed in accordance with the requirement set forth below, this docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 3rd day of March, 1993.



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 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 Commission's decision on this tariff is interim in nature and will become final, unless a person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed files a petition for a formal proceeding, as provided by Rule 25-22.036(4), Florida Administrative Code, in the form provided by Rule 25-22.036(7)(a)(d) and (e), Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting at his office at 101 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870, by the close of business on March 24, 1993.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become final on the day subsequent to the above date.

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 on the date described above, any party adversely 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 date this Order becomes final, 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.