

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Petition for authority ) DOCKET NO. 930365-TL  
to relocate certain records ) ORDER NO. PSC-93-0832-FOF-TL  
outside of Florida by BELLSOUTH ) ISSUED: June 3, 1993  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. d/b/a )  
SOUTHERN BELL TELEPHONE AND )  
TELEGRAPH COMPANY )  
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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

NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION  
ORDER APPROVING REQUEST TO RELOCATE RECORDS

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 adversely affected files a petition for a formal proceeding, pursuant to Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code.

On April 7, 1993, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company (Southern Bell or the Company) filed a petition, pursuant to Rule 25-4.020 (the Rule), Florida Administrative Code, for authority to relocate certain records outside the State of Florida. The Rule states that all records that a utility is required to keep shall be kept at the office or offices of the company within the State unless otherwise authorized by the Commission. The Company recently undertook a study to identify changes which would make the Comptrollers Department of Southern Bell more efficient, flexible, and cost effective. Included in the consolidation is a plan to relocate various records to Company offices in states other than Florida.

Southern Bell has identified the records to be relocated as follows:

Regulatory reports, including Surveillance Reports, Commission Annual Report, and regulatory assessment fee records - Atlanta, Georgia

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Ledgers and expense and investment related records, balance sheets, income statement reports, and journals - Atlanta, Georgia

Revenue journals for BellSouth Telecommunications-Florida and related reports and detail records - Birmingham, Alabama

The petition further states that the records of outside plant investment will remain in Miami, Florida. The Company maintains that the Network personnel will remain in Miami and these records will remain with the personnel possessing the technical expertise to process these records. The Company expects that the relocation will take over a year to complete.

Southern Bell states in its petition that it will reimburse the Commission for reasonable travel expense during any out-of-state audit per the requirements of the Rule. Additionally, the Company proposes to transfer the revenue journals to Atlanta during an audit in order to limit the travel necessary to complete an audit.

Southern Bell's study indicates that the cost savings associated with the reorganization of the Comptrollers Department will be approximately \$6 to \$7 million on an annual intrastate basis for Florida. The cost savings associated with the relocation of records is included as part of the savings associated with the Comptrollers reorganization.

We believe that Southern Bell's petition is reasonable. Accordingly, we hereby approve Southern Bell's request for authority to relocate records with the understanding that the revenue journals and other related reports in Birmingham be transferred to Atlanta, as necessary, during the course of an audit.

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 request for authority to relocate certain records as specified herein is approved. It is further

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ORDERED that revenue journals for Florida and other related reports will be transferred from Birmingham, Alabama to Atlanta, Georgia, as necessary, during an audit. It is further

ORDERED that if no proper protest to this proposed agency action is filed within the time frame set forth below, this Order shall become final and effective and this docket shall be closed.

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

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STEVE TRIBBLE, Director  
Division of Records and Reporting

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by: Kay J. Lynn  
Chief, Bureau of Records

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 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

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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 June 24, 1993.

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 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 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.