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DATE: December 14, 1995

RE: DOCKET NO. 950737-TP - Investigation into temporary local telephone number portability solution to implement competition in local exchange telephone markets.

<u>Issue A:</u> Should the Commission grant Time Warner AxS of Florida, L.P.'s Motion to Accept Supplemental Authority and Motion for Official Recognition of Washington Utilities and Transportation Order? <u>Recommendation:</u> Yes. The Commission should grant Time Warner AxS of Florida, L.P.'s Motion to Accept Supplemental Authority and Motion for Official Recognition of Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission Order.

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<u>Issue B:</u> Should the Commission accept or reject the proposed findings of fact submitted by MFS? <u>Recommendation:</u> The Commission should accept in part and reject in part MFS proposed findings of fact outlined in the staff's recommendation dated December 7, 1995.

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<u>Issue C:</u> Should the Commission accept or reject the proposed conclusions of law submitted by MFS? <u>Recommendation:</u> The Commission should not rule on the proposed conclusions

of law.

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<u>Issue 1:</u> What is the definition of temporary number portability pursuant to Section 364.16(4), F.S.?

<u>Stipulation:</u> According to the stipulation signed by the parties and approved by the Commission on September 12, 1995, temporary number portability is defined as an end user's ability at a given location to change service from a local exchange company (LEC) to an alternative local exchange company (ALEC) or vice versa, or between two ALECs, without changing their local telephone number. This is typically known as service provider temporary number portability.

It should be noted that the Stipulation and Agreement approved by Order No. PSC-95-1214-AS-TP, issued October 3, 1995, is the controlling document as it relates to this issue.

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<u>Issue 2:</u> What technical solutions will be available by January 1, 1996, to provide temporary number portability?

<u>Stipulation:</u> According to the stipulation signed by the parties and approved by the Commission on September 12, 1995, the only technical solution that will be available by January 1, 1996 is Remote Call Forwarding (RCF). However, the parties agree that Flexible Direct Inward Dialing is an alternative temporary local number portability mechanism, and that the LECs will continue to negotiate with the ALECs who desire to utilize Flexible Direct Inward Dialing or any other feasible option to provide temporary number portability that may be developed in the future.

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<u>Issue 3:</u> What are the advantages and disadvantages of each solution identified in Issue 2?

<u>Recommendation:</u> The Commission should accept the advantages and disadvantages for RCF listed in the analysis portion of staff's memorandum since they are supporting evidence for establishment of a price in Issue 5.

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<u>Issue 4:</u> What costs are associated with providing each solution identified in Issue 2?

<u>Recommendation:</u> The costs for Remote Call Forwarding (RCF) include service implementation costs, central office equipment software costs, and interoffice networking costs. The precise costs for providing temporary number portability cannot be determined at this time from the information in this record.

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<u>Issue 5:</u> How should the costs identified in Issue 4 be recovered? <u>Recommendation:</u> Temporary number portability through RCF should be provided to all companies at \$1.00 per month per line for one path, with additional paths at \$0.50 each. A nonrecurring charge of \$10.00 should also apply.

Southern Bell (SBT) should file cost studies that identify the recurring and nonrecurring costs associated with providing RCF for telephone number portability by March 31, 1997. The incremental cost study deriving SBT's recurring cost should include only those cost components that are directly related to providing RCF as a temporary number portability solution. The nonrecurring cost study should reflect SBT's actual experience gained during calendar year 1996 providing RCF for number portability to ALECS. SBT's rates for temporary number portability through remote call forwarding may be adjusted at that time based on actual incremental costs.

Any other company that begins providing temporary number portability and subsequently determines that its rates are below cost may request a rate adjustment at any time.

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<u>Issue 6:</u> What is/are the most appropriate method(s) of providing temporary number portability?

<u>Stipulation:</u> According to the stipulation signed by the parties and approved by the Commission on September 12, 1995, Remote Call Forwarding is the most appropriate method to provide temporary number portability by January 1, 1996. The parties will continue to negotiate possible future options if a party desires a different option.

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Issue 7: What are the appropriate parameters, costs and standards for the method(s) identified in Issue 6?

Stipulation: According to the stipulation signed by the parties and approved by the Commission on September 12, 1995, Remote Call Forwarding as a temporary number portability mechanism can be implemented in most LEC central offices at the present time. This temporary mechanism uses existing switch and network technology. The parties agree that the LECs shall offer Remote Call Forwarding to certificated ALECs as a temporary number portability mechanism, effective January 1, 1996. ALECs shall be required to offer Remote Call Forwarding to LECs or other ALECs as a temporary number portability mechanism, effective on the date they begin to provide local exchange telephone service. All parties will work together and with the 911 coordinators to successfully integrate the relevant ALEC information into the existing 911/E911 systems. The recurring price for Remote Call Forwarding will be on a per-line per-month basis and will be uniform throughout an individual LEC's existing service territory. The price charged by an individual LEC for Remote Call Forwarding shall not be below the costs of that LEC to provide Remote Call Forwarding for purposes of providing temporary number portability. The price charged for Remote Call Forwarding offered by an ALEC will mirror the price charged by the LEC.

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Issue 8: Should the docket be closed?

Recommendation: No. The Commission should keep this docket open until January 1, 1998 in order to deal with any problems associated with the provision of RCF as a temporary number portability mechanism and to evaluate LRIC studies filed as required by Issue 5. At that time, the Commission should close this docket.

In addition, the Commission should require the LECs and ALECs to comply with the requirements in staff's memorandum.

MODIFIED Companies may continue to regotiate a package that includes a price for RCF as a temporary number portability mechanism