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**RE: DOCKET NO. 920260-TL**

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned docket are an original and fifteen copies of Florida Cable Telecommunications Association, Inc.'s ("FCTA") Prehearing Statement. Copies have been served on the parties of record pursuant to the attached certificate of service.

Also enclosed is a copy on a 3-1/2" diskette in WordPerfect format, version 6.1.

**ACK**  Please acknowledge receipt and filing of the above by date stamping the duplicate copy of this letter and returning the same to me.

**AFA**

**APP**  Thank you for your assistance in processing this filing.

**CAF**

**CMU**  Yours very truly,

**CTR**

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In Re: Comprehensive review of )  
the revenue requirements and )  
rate stabilization plan of )  
Southern Bell Telephone and )  
Telegraph Company )  
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**PREHEARING STATEMENT OF  
FLORIDA CABLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ASSOCIATION, INC.**

The Florida Cable Telecommunications Association, Inc. ("FCTA") pursuant to Rule 25-22.038, Florida Administrative Code, respectfully submits its Prehearing Statement:

**I. BASIC POSITION**

A portion of the unallocated \$48 million in BellSouth rate reductions should be utilized to directly promote local exchange competition. IXCs, pay telephone providers and others have benefitted greatly from price reductions as a result of this docket. However, those reductions do not necessarily move Florida closer toward a competitive local exchange market. Now that BellSouth has elected price regulation, there will be no more traditional rate cases. Competition will increasingly be relied upon to check inappropriate behavior by the dominant carrier. Market forces should be stimulated by the Commission, wherever possible, to constrain and lower prices.

FCTA's proposal uses only a portion of the unallocated rate reduction to eliminate barriers to local exchange competition. FCTA proposes that a portion of the reductions should be utilized to eliminate or reduce the non-recurring charges for local interconnection trunks that ALECs order from BellSouth and non-recurring charges for dedicated, switched circuits ALECs order out of the BellSouth Access Tariff.

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## II. WITNESSES, TESTIMONY, EXHIBITS

FCTA will present the direct testimony of Jill Butler. There are no exhibits attached to Ms.

Butler's testimony. Ms. Butler will testify on Issues 1 and 3.

## III. ISSUES

**ISSUE 1:** Below are listed the proposals of various interested parties to this proceeding with respect to the disposition of the scheduled 1996 unspecified rate reductions. Which, if any, should be approved?

<b>A) BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.:</b>	<b>millions</b>
1) Reduce switched access (introduce zone density)	\$16.40
2) Reduce PBX rates and introduce term contracts	13.45
3) Waive certain business and residential Secondary Service Order charges	5.81
4) Reduce First Line Connection charge (Business)	3.22
5) Introduce Area Plus for Business	2.25
6) Eliminate usage charge on Remote Call Forwarding	2.01
7) Reduce DID recurring and non-recurring charges	1.88
8) Credit for ECS routes implemented	1.10
9) Reduce Business Line monthly rates in Rate Group 12	.62
10) Reduce Megalink interoffice rates	.58
11) Reduce WATS and 800 Service access line charges	.36
12) Eliminate the Secondary Service Order charge for WatsSaver	.30
13) Reduce SNAC charges for Business	.07
14) Reduce DS-1 interoffice mileage rates	.04
	<u>\$48.09</u>
<b>B) Joint Proposal of ATT, MCI, Sprint Communications, FIXCA, Ad Hoc and McCaw Communications:</b>	<b>millions</b>
1) Reduce PBX and DID trunk charges	\$11.00
2) Eliminate the Residual Interconnection Charge	35.00
3) Reduce mobile interconnection rates	<u>2.00</u>
	\$48.00
<b>C) Public Counsel:</b>	
Establish a reserve fund to assist BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. customers who have experienced problems with conversion to the 954 NPA.	
<b>D) FCTA:</b>	
Eliminate nonrecurring charges for interconnection trunks and special access circuits ordered by ALECs.	

**E) Palm Beach Newspapers, Inc./Florida Today**  
Reduce usage rates for N11 service to \$.02 per minute.

**POSITION:** FCTA's proposal should be approved.

**ISSUE 2:** To the extent the Commission does not approve the plans proposed by BellSouth, Public Counsel, FCTA, Palm Beach Newspapers, Inc./Florida Today and AT&T, MCI, Sprint, FIXCA, Ad Hoc and McCaw, how should the Commission implement the scheduled rate reduction?

**POSITION:** FCTA takes no position at this time.

**ISSUE 3:** What should be the effective dates of the approved tariffs?

**POSITION:** The effective date should be October 1, 1996.

#### **IV. STIPULATIONS**

The FCTA has entered into no stipulations.

#### **V. PENDING MOTIONS**

The FCTA has no pending motions at this time.

#### **VI. COMPLIANCE WITH ORDER**

The FCTA is aware of no requirements of the procedural prehearing order with which it cannot comply.

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED** this 20th day of September, 1996.

  
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