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Mrs. Blanca S. Bayo, Director
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Docket No. 961153-TL

Dear Mrs. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above referenced docket are an original and fifteen (15) copies of AT&T's Response to Motions for Reconsideration and Oral Argument and Ex-Part Communications.

Yours truly,

Marsha E. Rule

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In re: Petition for Numbering Plan)
Relief for 904 Area Code, by)
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.)
_____)

Docket No. 961153-TL

Filed: 03/10/97

**AT&T's RESPONSE
TO MOTIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION AND ORAL ARGUMENT
AND EX-PARTE COMMUNICATIONS**

AT&T Communications of the Southern States, Inc., (AT&T) hereby responds to motions for reconsideration and oral argument and ex-parte communications filed in this docket. In support, AT&T states as follows:

1. The Commission should not consider, as a basis for reconsideration or otherwise, the ex-parte and non-record communications or evidence proffered after the close of the record of this docket. AT&T notes that none of the non-record material indicates that the Commission overlooked or failed to consider a point of fact or law, as required for reconsideration. Pingree v. Quaintance, 394 So.2d 161 (Fla. 1st DCA 1981); Diamond Cab Co. of Miami v. King, 146 So.2d 889 (Fla. 1962).

2. Additionally, it is inappropriate to allow non-parties to participate in the reconsideration process -- whether such participation is sought by motion or by ex-parte communication. Rule 25-22.060 (1), Florida Administrative Code, clearly limits such participation to parties:

Any party to a proceeding who is adversely affected by an order of the Commission may file a motion for reconsideration of that order. (emphasis supplied)

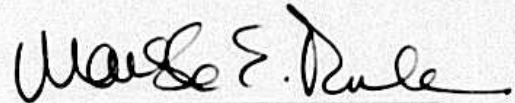
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The rule similarly specifies that responses and cross-motions for reconsideration may be filed by "parties".

Respectfully submitted,



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