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Re: Docket No.: 960786-TL

Dear Ms. Bayo:

On behalf of KMC Telecom Inc., KMC Telecom II, Inc. and KMC Telecom III, Inc. (collectively KMC), enclosed for filing and distribution are the original and 15 copies of the following:

- ▶ KMC Telecom, Inc.'s Petition to Intervene.

Please acknowledge receipt of the above on the extra copy of each and return the stamped copies to me. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Consideration of
BellSouth Telecommunications,
Inc.'s entry into interLATA
services pursuant to Section 271
of the Federal Telecommunications
Act of 1996.

Docket No. 960786-TL

Filed: May 21, 2001

KMC Telecom, Inc.'s Petition to Intervene

KMC Telecom, Inc., KMC Telecom II, Inc. and KMC Telecom III, Inc. (collectively KMC), pursuant to rule 28-106.205, Florida Administrative Code, file this Petition to Intervene. As grounds therefor, KMC states:

1. The name and address of Petitioner is:

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2. The name, address and telephone number of persons who should receive copies of all orders, notices and correspondence in this docket are:

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3. KMC is a competitive telecommunications provider in Florida certificated to provide competitive local exchange service and long distance service. As a Florida ALEC and IXC, KMC has a substantial interest in ensuring that before BellSouth is granted 271 relief, it has fully opened its local markets to competition as required by the Telecommunications Act of 1996. That includes, but is not limited to, providing operational support systems (OSS) that are at parity with the systems BellSouth uses as well as meeting all requirements of the competitive checklist.

4. Disputed issues of fact include, but are not limited to, those issues set out in Order No. PSC-01-1025-PCO-TL, issued April 24, 2001, in this docket.

5. Ultimate facts alleged include, but are not limited to, the fact that this Commission has a duty to evaluate BellSouth's 271 application in light of the applicable statutes and regulations. Competitive carriers' input as to whether or not BellSouth has opened its market to local competition will be useful to the Commission and help develop the record in this matter.

WHEREFORE, KMC moves this Commission to grant its Petition to Intervene and accord it full party status in this matter.

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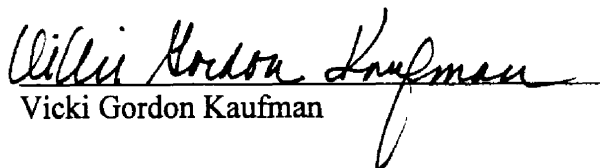
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