### ATTACHMENT C

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REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION OF DOCUMENTS PLACED INTO THE RECORD AS LISTED ON THE JOINT STIPULATION OF THE RECORD OF BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC. AND OFFICE OF PUBLIC COUNSEL FILED ON MAY 30, 2001, IN FLORIDA DOCKET 000733-TL.



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### The COUs' Proposal:

- 1. Increase the tariffed Late Payment Charge (LPC) to the greater of the existing percentage (1.5%) or a minimum of \$10 for Business and a minimum of \$5.00 for Consumer
- 2. Change the tariff to make the cost of any collection fee associated with collecting the bill the responsibility of the customer. The tariff would be changed to allow Businesses to be charged up to 30% of the amount referred to Outside Collection Agencies (OCAs) and for Consumers to be charged a flat fee of \$25 if the account is turned over for collection.

### Why should we pursue these charges?

- In order to shift the cost to the customers who cause the expense to be incurred.
- 2. 78% of Consumer and 72% of Business Customers pay their bills on time each month.
- 3. This will become an important focus as our markets become even more competitive.

What is	the incremental	financial im	pact?
LPC	1999*	2000	Monthly
Consumer	\$3.25M	\$39M	\$13M
Business	\$1.5M	.\$4.6M	\$383,000
OCA Fee			
Consumer	\$664,000	\$2M	\$166,000
Butness	\$226,000	\$650,000	\$54,000
Total	\$5.64M	\$46.3M	\$13.6M

<sup>\*</sup> Assumes 9/1/99 implementation

### What precedents exist in Florida?

Company	LPC
Florida Power & Light	
Adelphia Cable	\$5.00 After Past Due
City Gas	1.5% After Past Due
TCI Gas	\$5.00 Plus Local Tax

How many customers are impacted?			
LPC	Monthly #	%	
Consumer	900,000	22.0%	
Business	145,000	27.9%	
OCA Fee	Annual #	%	
Consumer	271000	6.6%	
Business	20200	3.9%	

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### Florida Regulatory Meeting - LPC / OCA

June 9, 1999

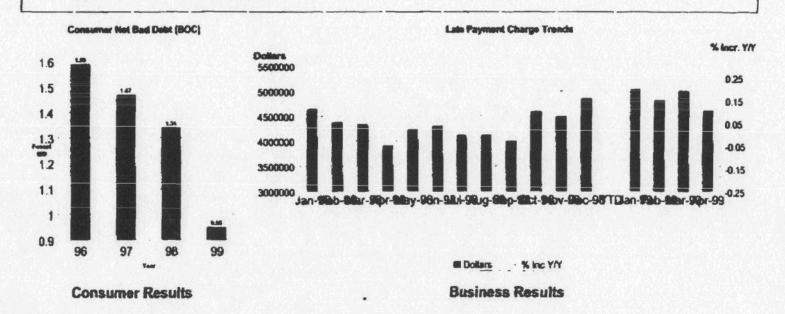
Through Focused Management Of AIR Both Business and Consumer Have Improved Productivity and Profitability...

...Regulatory Assistance to Restructure and Increase Late Payment Charges and OCA Fees Will Make A Significant

Contribution To BST's Continued Progress In This Area

### Background:

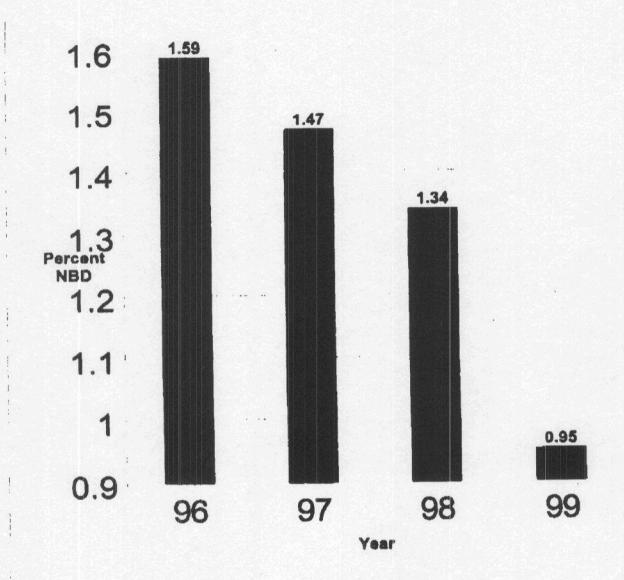
- In 1995 for Consumer and 1997 for Business, more focus has been placed on managing A/R.
- While the focus of each COU has been slightly different, results for both have been impressive.
- Business has kept net Bad Debt (NBD) in check while growing LPC revenue.
- Consumer has kept LPC revenue flat and significantly reduced BOC Net Bad Debt.
- Both LPC generation and NBD reduction positively impact contribution
- Results for both COUs are shown below.



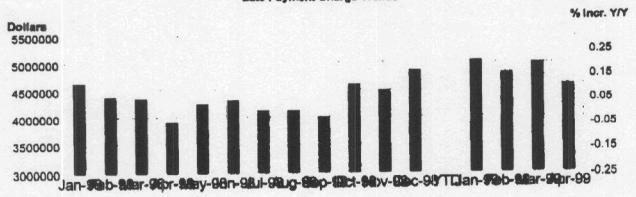
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## Consumer Net Bad Debt (BOC)



Late Payment Charge Trands



**Dollars** 

% Inc Y/Y

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### TARIFF NOTIFICATION

### FLORIDA

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1434

Today's Date:

07/12/99

Filing Package No:

FL99-259

Filing Date:

07/09/99

Effective Date:

07/24/99

Subject:

Revision of Late Payment Charge

Tariff Status:

Approved
(Filed, Approved, Withdrawn, Suspended, Denied)

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