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Re: Docket Nos. 981834-TP and 990321-TP (Generic Collocation)

Dear Ms. Bayó:

Enclosed are an original and fifteen copies of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s Motion In Limine Regarding Issues Resolved In Phase I, which we ask that you file in the captioned docket.

A copy of this letter is enclosed. Please mark it to indicate that the original was filed and return the copy to me. Copies are being served via Electronic Mail and U.S. Mail to the parties shown on the attached Certificate of Service.

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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To Support Local Competition)	
In BellSouth's Service Territory)	
In re: Petition of ACI Corp. d/b/a)	
Accelerated Connections, Inc. for)	Docket No. 990321-TP
Generic Investigation into Terms and)	
Conditions of Physical Collocation) -	
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BELLSOUTH'S MOTION IN LIMINE REGARDING ISSUES RESOLVED IN PHASE I

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"), hereby files its Motion *In Limine*Regarding Issues Resolved In Phase I, and states the following:

- 1. Based on its Pre-Hearing Statement and other actions in this proceeding, it would appear that Covad will attempt to interject into the Phase II hearing matters that have already been ruled upon by the Commission in its Order on Phase I (Order No. 99031-TP) ("Phase I Order"), specifically, the issue of how power charges should be structured (Issue 6 in the Phase I proceeding). Further, it is reasonable to assume that Covad will spend a substantial amount of the hearing time attempting to introduce evidence on this issue. Accordingly, BellSouth requests an Order from the Commission limiting the scope of the evidence presented in Phase II at the hearing to that which is properly at issue.
- 2. This docket has, of course, been divided into two phases by the Commission's Second Order Modifying Procedure (Order No. PSC-03-0776-PCO-TP, issued July 1, 2003). Under the Commission's Order, Phase I included Issues 1-8 (technical issues and issues relating to the terms and conditions of collocation). Phase II included Issues 9 and 10 (cost issues). More specifically, Issue 6A inquired whether power should be charged on a per fused amp or per

used amp basis. Issue 6B raised the concomitant question of how power charges should be calculated, depending upon the resolution of 6A. Phase II involves setting the cost-based rates for the various collocation elements, including costs relating to power. Thus, there is certainly a relationship between Phase I and Phase II issues. However, the Commission has made it very clear that these two phases are separate, and that they are to remain separate. This necessarily means that issues are to be addressed (according to the division described above) in either Phase I or Phase II, but not both.

3. During the Phase I hearing, there was discussion of a proposal to separate the charge for electrical power into two components: one charge for infrastructure, and another charge for energy. Although a number of witnesses were asked questions regarding this proposal, no witness that testified actually supported this proposal in their filed testimony. Moreover, the Commission did not adopt this approach in its Order on Phase I. Specifically, the Order states as follows:

While the proposal to separate infrastructure from power consumption that was discussed at the hearing is conceptually sound, paying for power plant infrastructure costs up-front might pose a barrier to entry for most CLECs. We believe Sprint's alternative proposal is the most reasonable option presented.

(Phase I Order, pp. 39-40).

Covad is well aware that this issue was ruled upon in Phase I because it filed a Motion For Reconsideration that addressed this specific issue.

4. Nevertheless, Covad has propounded upon BellSouth a massive amount of discovery relating to this issue that the Commission has already resolved in Phase I. The Commission denied most of Covad's discovery requests, but did instruct BellSouth to Answer Covad's Interrogatory Nos. 13-16, which inquired as to what BellSouth would charge for power infrastructure on a non-recurring basis if it were ordered by the Commission to recover its cost in

this manner (Order Granting, In Part, and Denying, In Part, Motions To Compel). BellSouth is filings its responses today. In its ruling, the Commission specifically noted that "what is relevant for purposes of discovery is a broader matter than what is relevant and admissible at hearing." (*Id*, p. 5).

5. Finally, (as set forth in the Prehearing Order) Covad's Statement of its Position on Issue 9A, is that Covad supports AT&T's position with one exception. Specifically,

Covad respectfully asks the Commission to separate the DC portion of the power charge for power provided to the CLECs' collocation space from the infrastructure portion of the power charge and provide the infrastructure charge as either a Monthly Recurring Charge (MRC) or as an alternative Non-Recurring Charge (NCR).

(Prehearing Order, pp. 12-13)

Thus, Covad's primary position on this Phase II issue is, in effect, a request that the Commission reverse the ruling that it has already made in Phase I on this very same issue.

- 6. Every indication at this juncture is that Covad will attempt to conduct itself in Phase II of the hearing as it did in Phase I. In other words, in Phase I, Covad did not pre-file testimony of a witness, but rather attempted to make its case through extensive cross examination of the witnesses of other parties. Since Covad has not filed a witness in Phase II, presumably it will do the same. Presumably Covad will also attempt to introduce into evidence BellSouth's responses to Interrogatories No. 13-16, even though they clearly go to a power issue that were resolved by the Commission in Phase I of the proceeding.
- 7. Given the above, BellSouth objects to any attempt by Covad to interject this
 Phase I Issue into Phase II and requests that the Commission enter an Order limiting the evidence
 to be presented. All evidence in Phase II should be limited to that which is within the proper
 scope of this phase of the proceeding. Again, based on Covad's discovery and their Pre-Hearing

Statement, every indication is that Covad will attempt to utilize this hearing for the primary purpose of rearguing a position that the Commission has already considered and rejected when it declined in the Phase I Order to require separate charges for power infrastructure and for energy. Covad has already raised this issue on reconsideration. Covad should not be allowed to misuse the hearing to have a third bite at the apple on an issue that is clearly not before the Commission as part of Phase II.

8. Accordingly, BellSouth requests that the Commission rule at the outset of the hearing that the evidence should be strictly limited to that which is within the scope of the Phase II issues. More specifically, Covad and other parties should not be permitted to ask questions of witnesses, or to introduce discovery responses or other evidence relating to the proposal to bifurcate power issue charges, which have been thoroughly presented in Phase I, considered by the Commission and ruled upon.

WHEREFORE, BellSouth respectfully requests the entry of an Order granting this Motion *In Limine* as set forth above.

Respectfully submitted this 26th day of January, 2004.

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