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040018-TP (14)

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 Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time to File an Answer to Complaint, 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 have been served to the parties shown on the attached Certificate of Service.

Sincerely,

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cc: All Parties of Record
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Docket No. 040018-TP

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served via
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BEFORE THE
FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Complaint of US LEC of Florida, Inc. against)	
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. for)	Docket No.: 040018-TP
Unauthorized Discontinuance of Service and)	
Petition for Emergency Order Restoring Service)	Filed: January 27, 2004
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**BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.'S UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR
EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE AN ANSWER TO COMPLAINT**

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") hereby files this Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time to File an Answer to the Complaint of US LEC of Florida Inc. ("US LEC") for Unauthorized Discontinuance of Service and Petition for Emergency Order Restoring Service (hereinafter the "Complaint"), and says:

1. On January 7, 2004, US LEC filed its Complaint against BellSouth. Consequently, BellSouth's Answer to the Complaint is due on January 27, 2004.

2. The parties have reached a settlement in principle as to the allegations contained in the Complaint.

3. BellSouth seeks a seven (7) day extension of time, through and including February 3, 2004, in which to file an Answer to the Complaint. Such an extension will give the parties time to obtain the requisite signatures on the settlement agreement and give US LEC time to prepare a Notice of Dismissal of the Complaint.

4. BellSouth makes this timely request in good faith and no party will be prejudiced by the Commission granting this Motion. Indeed, US LEC has no objection to the requested relief.

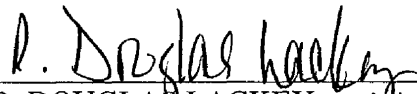
WHEREFORE, BellSouth respectfully requests a seven (7) day extension of time, through and including February 3, 2004, to file an Answer to the Complaint.

Respectfully submitted this 27th day of January 2004.

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.



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