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January 25, 2005

Mrs. Blanca S. Bayó Director, Division of Records and Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Docket No.: 050008-OT

In re: Request for Naming of Qualified Representative

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Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed are an original and fifteen copies of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s Request For Naming of Qualified Representative, 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.

Sincerely,

J. Phillip Carver

Florida Bar No. 386715

cc: Marshall M. Criser, III

Nancy B. White

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FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for Qualified Representative Status) Docket No.: 050008-OT) Filed: January 25, 2005

Request for Naming of Qualified Representative

Pursuant to Rule 28-106.107, Florida Administrative Code, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") requests that James Meza III, Senior Regulatory Counsel, be named a qualified representative of BellSouth in all docketed and nondocketed matters opened during the next twelve months.

BellSouth is aware that it can be represented by counsel as defined in Rule 28-106.106, Florida Administrative Code and has chosen otherwise.

Attached hereto is a sworn affidavit setting forth Mr. Meza's qualifications. Mr. Meza is located at 675 West Peachtree Street, Suite 4300, Atlanta, Georgia 30375, telephone number (404) 335-0769.

WHEREFORE, BellSouth requests that the Florida Public Service Commission grant this request.

Respectfully submitted this 25th day of January, 2005.

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AFFIDAVIT

Undersigned counsel, being first duly sworn, states that:

Undersigned counsel is currently employed by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., as Senior Regulatory Counsel, at the address and telephone number below.

Undersigned counsel possesses the necessary qualifications to responsibly represent BellSouth's interests in all docketed and nondocketed matters before the Florida Public Service Commission.

Undersigned counsel is an attorney admitted to practice, and a member in good standing of the States of Louisiana, Bar No. 25178; has practiced extensively before this and other utility regulatory agencies or authorities; has knowledge of the Florida Statutes relative to the Commission's jurisdiction; has knowledge of the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure relating to discovery in an administrative proceeding; has knowledge of the Florida Administrative Code and Florida Statutes relative to the rules of evidence, including the concept of hearsay in an administrative proceeding; has acquired or will acquire knowledge of the factual and legal issues in these matters; and has knowledge of and compliance with the Standards of Conduct for Qualified Representatives contained in Rule 28-106.107 of the Florida Administrative Code.

James Meza III Senior Regulatory Counsel 675 West Peachtree Street Suite 4300 Atlanta, Georgia 30375 (404) 335-0769

State of Georgia County of Fulton

Affirmed and subscribed before me this 17 day of January, 2005.

Notary

Brenda S. Slaughter Notary Public, Rockdale County, Georgia My Commission Expires July 29, 2006

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Louisiana State Bar Association

The Louisiana State l	Bar Association hereby	certifies t	hat
	Mr. Jam	es Meza	
whose address is	675 W Peachtre	e St NE Ste	4300
	Atlanta. G	A 30375	
is a member in good sta	ınding of the Louisian	a State Bar	Association as of this date, and that
said person was duly a	dmitted to practice i	n the cour	rts of the State of Louisiana on the
10th	_day of <u>October</u>		_ <u>, 1997</u> .
Given over my hand	and the Seal of the Lo	ouisiana Sta	ate Bar Association, this 14th
day of January	, 2005		
	cyclive Director State Ban Association		