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Undersigned counsel, being first duly sworn, states that:

Undersigned counsel is currently employed by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., as General Counsel-Florida, 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 also been certified by the Florida Bar as Authorized House Counsel No. (464260); 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.

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