

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Request of Clay County Board)	DOCKET NO. 870987-TL
of County Commissioners for EAS)	
between the southwest portion of Clay)	ORDER NO. 21209
County and Keystone Heights)	
_____)	ISSUED: 5-9-89

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

MICHAEL McK. WILSON, Chairman
 THOMAS M. BEARD
 BETTY EASLEY
 GERALD L. GUNTER
 JOHN T. HERNDON

ORDER REQUIRING IMPLEMENTATION OF
EXTENDED AREA SERVICE

BY THE COMMISSION:

By Order No. 20492, issued December 21, 1988, we announced our intention to require implementation of extended area service (EAS) between the Clay County pocket area of the Florahome exchange and the Keystone Heights exchange, upon terms and conditions specified in the Order. The Florahome exchange is served by Alltel Florida, Inc. (Alltel), while the Keystone Heights exchange is served by Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company (Southern Bell). Our proposed action in Order No. 20492 became final after expiration of the protest period and upon issuance of a consummating order, Order No. 20596, on January 12, 1989.

These orders required Alltel to survey the subscribers located in the Clay County pocket area of the Florahome exchange for flat-rate, two-way, nonoptional EAS under the 25/25 plan, to and from the Keystone Heights exchange. Alltel mailed eighty-eight (88) ballots to all customers of record on February 10, 1989, to be returned by March 17, 1989.

Seventy-four (74) or 84% of the ballots were returned. Sixty (60) subscribers (68%) voted in favor of the 25/25 plan, while fourteen (14) subscribers (16%) voted against the plan. Fourteen (14) subscribers (16%) failed to return their ballots. In order for the survey to pass, we required a margin of 50% plus one (1) favorable vote (at least 45 votes) out of all subscribers surveyed. Therefore, the survey has passed and Alltel and Southern Bell are directed to take the necessary action to implement the provisions of Orders No. 20492 and 20596 within twelve (12) months of customer approval, in accordance with the terms and conditions specified in those Orders.

Finally, since this EAS request involves an interLATA route, Southern Bell must continue to pursue waiver of Judge Greene's Modified Final Judgment in order to implement the plan.

Based on the foregoing, it is

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ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that Alltel Florida, Inc. and Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company shall implement extended area service pursuant to the terms set forth herein. It is further

ORDERED that this docket shall remain open until appropriate tariffs have been filed and the plan has been implemented.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission
this 9th day of May, 1989.


STEVE TRIBBLE, Director
Division of Records and Reporting

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