

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Resolutions filed by the) DOCKET NO. 930788-TL
Suwannee County Board of) ORDER NO. PSC-94-0950-FOF-TL
Commissioners and the Town of) ISSUED: August 4, 1994
Branford requesting extended)
area service (EAS) between the)
Branford exchange and the Lake)
City exchange.)
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The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

J. TERRY DEASON, Chairman
SUSAN F. CLARK
JULIA L. JOHNSON
DIANE K. KIESLING

ORDER IMPLEMENTING EXTENDED AREA SERVICE

BY THE COMMISSION:

This docket was initiated pursuant to Resolution 93-22 submitted by the Suwannee County Commission and Resolution 93-1 submitted by the Town of Branford requesting extended area service (EAS) between the Branford exchange and the Lake City exchange (the Branford/Fort White route is included to avoid leapfrogging). The Branford and Fort White exchanges are served by ALLTEL Florida, Inc. (ALLTEL) and the Lake City exchange is provided service by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company (Southern Bell). All of these exchanges are located in the Jacksonville LATA (Local Access Transport Area).

By Order No. PSC-93-1347-PCO-TL, issued September 14, 1993, we required ALLTEL and Southern Bell to conduct traffic studies on this route.

By Order No. PSC-94-0280-FOF-TL, issued March 10, 1994, we required ALLTEL to survey its customers in the Branford exchange for nonoptional, two-way, flat rate EAS to the Lake City and Fort White exchanges under the 25/25 plan with regrouping (Fort White was included to avoid leap-frogging). The Order provided that if the survey passed, ALLTEL and Southern Bell shall implement two-way nonoptional, flat rate extended area service between the Branford exchange and the Lake City and Fort White exchanges at the following rates: R-1 at \$12.15; B-1 at \$30.43; and PBX at \$57.96.

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The Order also provided if the survey passed that the additive shall remain in place for two years after implementation or until ALLTEL's next earnings review, whichever comes later.

ALLTEL mailed 3,070 ballots to all customers of record in the Branford exchange. The results of the survey are as follows:

TABLE A
SURVEY RESULTS

	NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL MAILED	PERCENT OF TOTAL RETURNED
Ballots Mailed	3,070	100.00%	
Ballots Returned	1,921	62.57%	100.00%
For EAS	1,379		71.78%
Against EAS	542		28.22%
Invalid	0		.00%

Rule 25-4.063(6), Florida Administrative Code, requires a majority of all respondents in each exchange to vote favorably and at least 40% of all ballots mailed must be returned. Based on this Rule, the survey passed because 62.57% of all ballots mailed were returned and 71.78% of the ballots returned voted in favor of EAS.

Based on the results of the survey, we require ALLTEL and Southern Bell to implement nonoptional, two-way, flat rate EAS between the Branford exchange and the Lake City and Fort White exchanges at the rates stated in Order No. PSC-94-0280-FOF-TL. These routes should be implemented as soon as possible but not to exceed twelve months from the issuance date of this Order. Our staff will monitor implementation of the EAS to ensure that ALLTEL and Southern Bell make the necessary tariff revisions to comply with the implementation date.

Also, once nonoptional, two-way, flat rate EAS is implemented, the traffic data on the Branford/Lake City and Branford/ Fort White routes shall no longer be held confidential because the traffic will become local and not subject to competition.

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Based on the foregoing, it is

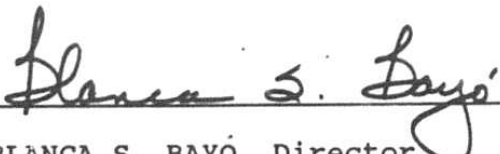
ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that ALLTEL Florida, Inc. and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company shall implement two-way, nonoptional, flat rate extended area service between the Branford exchange and the Lake City and Fort White exchanges. These routes shall be implemented as soon as possible but not to exceed twelve months from the issuance date of this Order. It is further

ORDERED that ALLTEL and Southern Bell shall implement two-way nonoptional, flat rate extended area service between the Branford exchange and the Lake City and Fort White exchanges at the rates stated in Order No. PSC-94-0280-FOF-TL. It is further

ORDERED that once nonoptional, two-way, flat rate extended area service is implemented, the traffic data on the Branford/Lake City and Branford/Fort White routes shall no longer be held confidential. It is further

ORDERED that this docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 4th day of August, 1994.



BLANCA S. BAYO, Director
Division of Records and Reporting

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.59(4), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Any party adversely affected by the Commission's final action in this matter may request: 1) reconsideration of the decision by filing a motion for reconsideration with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting within fifteen (15) days of the issuance of this order in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code; or 2) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water or sewer utility by filing a notice of appeal with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days after the issuance of this order, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Civil Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900 (a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.