

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Emergency petition by
BellSouth Telecommunications,
Inc. for authority to waive
certain charges to provide
relief to hurricane victims in
the Marathon, Big Pine Key,
Sugarloaf Key and Key West,
Pensacola, Cantonment, Gulf
Breeze, Holly Navarre, Jay,
Milton, Munson, Pace, and
Century exchanges, effective
9/28/98.

DOCKET NO. 981238-TL
ORDER NO. PSC-98-1300-FOF-TL
ISSUED: October 7, 1998

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of
this matter:

JULIA L. JOHNSON, Chairman
J. TERRY DEASON
SUSAN F. CLARK
JOE GARCIA
E. LEON JACOBS, JR.

**ORDER APPROVING BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.'S
TARIFF TO PROVIDE CERTAIN EMERGENCY SERVICES**

BY THE COMMISSION:

Hurricane Georges has caused severe damage in Florida, and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (BellSouth) seeks to render some relief to the victims in the areas affected by the disaster. Accordingly, on September 28, 1998, BellSouth submitted an emergency request to waive certain charges for its customers affected in the Florida Keys. On September 30, 1998, BellSouth filed a modification to this emergency request seeking to add the Panhandle area as well. BellSouth requests that the waiver apply to the Marathon, Big Pine Key, Sugarloaf Key, Key West, Pensacola, Cantonment, Gulf Breeze, Holly Navarre, Jay, Milton, Munson, Pace and Century exchanges, effective September 28, 1998.

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The waiver request includes the following:

- (1) A waiver of the Secondary Service Order Charge for Remote Call Forwarding, Call Forwarding Variable, Remote Access to Call Forwarding, Call Forwarding Don't Answer and Call Forwarding Busy Line for orders placed through October 9, 1998;
- (2) One free month of Remote Call Forwarding, Call Forwarding Variable, Remote Access to Call Forwarding, Call Forwarding Don't Answer and Call Busy Line;
- (3) A waiver of all regulated charges associated with Memorycall Service including, but not limited to, the Secondary Service Order Charge and the first month's charge for Message Waiting Indication; and
- (4) A waiver of Late Payment Charges for sixty (60) days.

Pursuant to the expedited procedures we adopted in Order Nos. PSC-98-0995-FOF-TL (fires), PSC-98-0394-FOF-TL (floods), PSC-95-1613-FOF-TP (Hurricane Opal), and PSC-92-0910-FOF-TL (Hurricane Andrew), we approve BellSouth's emergency request to waive the charges listed above for its customers affected by Hurricane Georges in the Florida Keys and the Panhandle area.

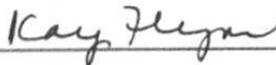
Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that BellSouth Telecommunication, Inc.'s emergency petition for authority to waive certain charges to provide relief to hurricane victims in the Marathon, Big Pine Key, Sugarloaf Key and Key West, Pensacola, Cantonment, Gulf Breeze, Holly Navarre, Jay, Milton, Munson, Pace, and Century exchanges is hereby approved, effective September 28, 1998. It is further

ORDERED that if a protest is filed within 21 days from the issuance date of the Order, the tariff shall remain in effect pending resolution of the protest. If no timely protest is filed, this docket shall be closed.

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By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 7th day
of October, 1998.



KAY FLYNN, Chief
Bureau of Records

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.569(1), 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.

Mediation may be available on a case-by-case basis. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to a hearing.

The action proposed herein is preliminary in nature. Any person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed by this order may file a petition for a formal proceeding, in the form provided by Rule 28-106.201, Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, by the close of business on October 28, 1998.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become effective on the day subsequent to the above date.

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Any objection or protest filed in this docket before the issuance date of this order is considered abandoned unless it satisfies the foregoing conditions and is renewed within the specified protest period.

If this order becomes final and effective on the date described above, any party substantially affected may request judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or by the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water or wastewater 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 of the effective date of this order, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900(a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.

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