

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Request by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. for approval of amendment of interconnection, unbundling, and resale agreement with GTE Communications Corporation pursuant to Sections 251, 252, and 271 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

DOCKET NO. 981547-TP
ORDER NO. PSC-99-0176-FOF-TP
ISSUED: January 29, 1999

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

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

ORDER APPROVING AMENDMENT TO EXISTING
INTERCONNECTION, UNBUNDLING, AND RESALE AGREEMENT

BY THE COMMISSION:

On November 5, 1998, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (BellSouth) filed a request for approval of an amendment to the existing interconnection, unbundling, and resale agreement with GTE Communications Corporation (GTECC) under 47 U.S.C. §252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the Act). The amendment to the existing agreement is attached to this Order as Attachment A and incorporated by reference herein. We approved the initial agreement between the companies in Order No. PSC-98-1431-FOF-TP issued October 23, 1998, in Docket No. 980966-TP.

Both the Act and Chapter 364, Florida Statutes, encourage parties to enter into negotiated agreements to bring about local exchange competition as quickly as possible. Under the requirements of 47 U.S.C. § 252(e), negotiated agreements must be submitted to the state commission for approval. Section 252(e)(4)

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requires the state to reject or approve the agreement within 90 days after submission or it shall be deemed approved.

This amendment to the existing governs the relationship between the companies regarding local interconnection and the exchange of traffic pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 251. Upon review of the proposed amendment to the existing agreement, we believe that it complies with the Telecommunications Act of 1996; thus, we hereby approve it. The Commission's approval of this agreement should not be construed as a determination that BellSouth has met the requirements of Section 271 of the Act. BellSouth and GTECC are also required to file any subsequent supplements or modifications to their agreement with the Commission for review under the provisions of 47 U.S.C. § 252(e).

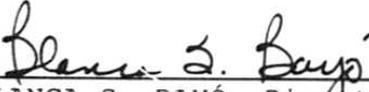
Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the amendment to the existing interconnection, unbundling, and resale agreement between BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and GTE Communications Corporation, as set forth in Attachment A and incorporated by reference in this Order, is hereby approved. It is further

ORDERED that any supplements or modifications to this agreement must be filed with the Commission for review under the provisions of 47 U.S.C. § 252(e). It is further

ORDERED that this docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 29th day of January, 1999.



BLANCA S. BAYÓ, 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 120.569(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.

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, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, 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 in Federal district court pursuant to the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, 47 U.S.C. § 252(e) (6).

AMENDMENT ONE

This Amendment, which shall become effective as of the 21st day of September, 1998, is entered into by and between GTE Communications Corporation, ("GTECC"), a Delaware corporation on behalf of itself and its successors and assigns, and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., ("BellSouth"), a Georgia corporation, having an office at 675 W. Peachtree Street, Atlanta, Georgia, 30375, on behalf of itself and its successors and assigns.

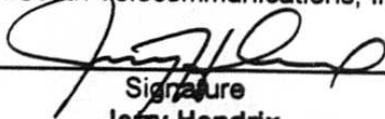
WHEREAS, GTECC has requested that BellSouth make available the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement executed between BellSouth and MCImetro Access Transmission Services, Inc. ("MCI^m") dated May 28, 1998, for the state of Florida.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises and mutual covenants of this Amendment, GTECC and BellSouth hereby agree as follows:

1. GTECC and BellSouth shall adopt in its entirety the BellSouth/MCI^m Amendment dated May 28, 1998, executed and approved by the appropriate state regulatory commission as of the date of the execution of this Amendment. The Amendment is attached hereto as Exhibit 1 and incorporated herein by this reference.
2. All other terms and conditions of the GTECC/BellSouth Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Amendment through their authorized representatives.

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.



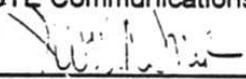
Signature
Jerry Hendrix

Name
Director

Title
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Date

GTE Communications Corporation



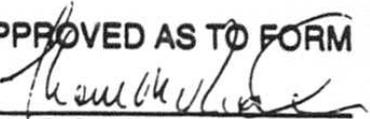
Signature
Kevin M. Soper

Name
VP - Market Solutions

Title
9-9-98

Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM



THOMAS M. RIORDAN
GTE LEGAL DEPT.

ATTACHMENT A

**AMENDMENT ONE DATED MAY 28, 1998
TO
MCIm/BELLSOUTH INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT
DATED JUNE 19, 1997**

MCImetro Access Transmission Services, Inc. ("MCIm") and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"), hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties," hereby agree to amend the MCIm/BellSouth Interconnection Agreement dated June 19, 1997 ("Interconnection Agreement") pursuant to the Order of the Florida Public Service Commission issued on April 29, 1998 which establishes the recurring and non-recurring rates for certain unbundled network elements (UNEs).

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual provisions contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, MCIm and BellSouth hereby covenant and agree as follows:

1. Based on the Order issued by the Florida Public Service Commission on April 29, 1998 in Docket No. 960757, 960833, 960846, the final rates for certain rate elements which were previously ordered as interim, pending filing of cost studies, were ordered by the Florida Public Service Commission. The rates as ordered are set forth in the Rate Tables attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit A consisting of three pages delineating the recurring and non-recurring charges for:
 - a) Network Interface Device (NID) ;
 - b) 2 wire and 4-wire loop distribution;
 - c) 2-wire ADSL-compatible loop;
 - d) 2-wire and 4-wire HDSL-compatible loop;
 - e) Physical collocation;
 - f) Virtual collocation
 - g) Directory Assistance
 - h) Dedicated Transport;
 - i) 4-wire analog port
2. Attachment I of the Florida Interconnection Agreement is hereby amended to incorporate the final rates for those certain rate elements that were originally ordered as interim as set forth in Exhibit A of this Amendment.
3. All of the other provisions, including all other rates listed in Attachment I of the Florida Interconnection Agreement, dated June 19, 1997, shall remain in full force and effect.

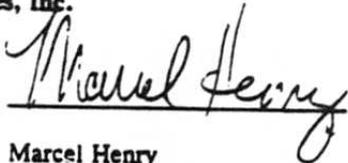
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4. Either or both of the Parties shall submit this Amendment to the Florida Public Service Commission on or before May 29, 1998 as ordered by the Florida Public Service Commission. However, the Parties acknowledge that the terms and/or rates of this Amendment were established pursuant to the afore-referenced Order of the Florida Public Service Commission. Any or all of the terms or rates of this Amendment may be altered or abrogated by a successful challenge to the Amendment and/or the Order requiring the Amendment and/or any order approving this Amendment as permitted by applicable law. By signing this Amendment, neither Party waives any right to pursue such a challenge.
5. Either or both of the Parties shall submit this Amendment to the Florida Public Service Commission or other regulatory body having jurisdiction over the subject matter of this Amendment, for approval subject to Section 252(e) of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be executed by their respective duly authorized representatives on the date indicated below.

**MCImetro Access Transmission
Services, Inc.**

By:

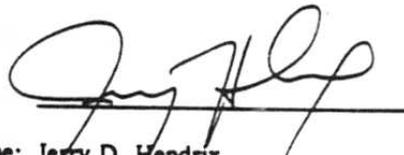


Name: Marcel Henry
Title: Regional Vice President

Date: May 28, 1998

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.

By:



Name: Jerry D. Hendrix
Title: Director-Interconnection Services-
Pricing

Date: 5-28-98

**BELLSOUTH/MCI RATES - FLC DA
UNBUNDLED NETWORK ELEMENTS**

NIDs	
NID, per month	
Installation of 2-Wire/4-Wire ALEC NID, NRC - 1st	\$1.08
Installation of 2-Wire/4-Wire ALEC NID, NRC - Add'l	\$70.32
NID to NID Cross Connect, 2-Wire or 4-Wire, NRC	\$54.35
	\$6.15
LOOP, INCLUDING NID:	
2-Wire Asymmetrical Dig Sub Line (ADSL)/Compatible Loop, per mo	
NRC - 1 st	\$15.81
NRC - Add'l	\$113.85
	\$99.61
2-Wire High Bit Rate Dig Sub Line (HDSL)/Compatible Loop, per mo	
NRC - 1 st	\$12.12
NRC - Add'l	\$113.85
	\$99.61
4-Wire High Bit Rate Dig Sub Line (HDSL)/Compatible Loop, per mo	
NRC - 1 st	\$18.24
NRC - Add'l	\$116.91
	\$101.71
SUB-LOOPS	
Loop Distribution per 2-Wire Analog VG Loop (Incl NID), per month	
NRC - 1 st	\$8.57
NRC - Add'l	\$78.29
	\$58.33
Loop Distribution per 4-Wire Analog VG Loop (Incl NID), per month	
NRC - 1 st	\$11.29
NRC - Add'l	\$112.07
	\$92.11
UNBUNDLED LOCAL EXCHANGE SWITCHING (PORTS)	
4-Wire Analog VG Port, per month	
NRC - 1 st	\$9.14
NRC - Add'l	\$5.86
	\$5.86
UNBUNDLED TRANSPORT	
Interoffice Transport - Dedicated - DS1	
Interoffice Transport - Dedicated DS1 Level Interoffice per mile per mo	\$0.6013
Interoffice Transport - Dedicated DS1 - facilities term per mo	\$101.61
NRC - 1 st	\$45.91
NRC - Add'l	\$44.18
Interoffice Transport - Local Channel DS1, per month	\$44.35
NRC - 1 st	\$246.50
NRC - Add'l	\$230.49
DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE SERVICES	
Directory Transport	
Directory Transport - Local Channel DS1, per month	
NRC - 1 st	\$43.64
NRC - Add'l	\$242.45
	\$226.44
Directory Transport - Dedicated DS1 Level Interoffice per mile per mo	\$0.6013
Directory Transport - Dedicated DS1 Level Interoffice per fac term per mo	\$99.79
NRC - 1 st	\$45.91
NRC - Add'l	\$44.18
Directory Transport-Installation NRC, per trunk or signaling connection	
NRC - 1 st	\$332.42
NRC - Add'l	\$8.82

ATTACHMENT A

Exhibit A

Physical Collocation Rates

Rate Element Description	Unit	Recurring Rate (RC)	Non-Recurring Rate (NRC)
Application Fee/Planning Fee	Per Request	\$15.53	\$3,248
Space Preparation Fee	Per Request	NA	ICB
Space Construction			
Wire Cage	Per first 100 sq. Ft.	\$41.99	NA
Gypsum Board Cage	Per first 100 sq. Ft.	\$84.10	NA
Fire Rated Cage	Per first 100 sq. Ft.	\$99.73	NA
Wire Cage	Per add'l 50 sq. Ft.	\$4.14	NA
	Per add'l 50 sq. Ft.	\$9.35	NA
	Per add'l 50 sq. Ft.	\$11.30	NA
Floor Space/Land and Building	Per sq. Ft.	\$4.25	NA
Cable Installation	Per Cable	\$2.77	\$1,056
Cable Rack		\$22.94	NA
Power	Per Amp	\$6.95	NA
Cross Connects			
2-wire	Per 100 Circuits	\$5.24	\$1,157
4-wire	Per 100 Circuits	\$5.24	\$1,157
DS-1/DCS	Per 28 Circuits	\$226.39	\$1,950
DS-1/DSX	Per 28 Circuits	\$11.51	\$1,950
DS-3/DCS	Per Circuit	\$56.97	\$528
DS-3/DSX	Per Circuit	\$10.06	\$528
Optical Circuits	Per Connection	\$6.46	\$2,431
Security Escort			
Regular Time	Per ¼ hour	NA	\$10.89
Overtime	Per ¼ hour	NA	\$13.64
Premium Time	Per ¼ hour	NA	\$16.40
Security Access Cards	Per Request (5 Cards)	NA	\$85.12

Virtual Collocation Rates

Rate Element Description	Unit	Recurring Rate (RC)	Non-Recurring Rate (NRC)
Application Fee/Planning Fee	Initial Request	NA	\$4.122
	Add'l Cable Request	NA	\$1.249
Floor Space/Land and Building	Per Sq. Ft.	\$4.25	NA
Cable Installation	Per Cable	\$12.45	\$965
Cable Rack	Per ¼ Rack	\$2.24	NA
Power	Per Amp	\$6.95	NA
Cross Connects			
2-Wire	Per 100 Circuits	\$5.02	\$1.157
4-Wire	Per 100 Circuits	\$5.02	\$1.157
DS-1-DCS	Per 28 Circuits	\$226.39	\$1,950
DS-1-DSX	Per 28 Circuits	\$11.51	\$1,950
DS-3-DCS	Per Circuit	\$56.97	\$528
DS-3-DSX	Per Circuit	\$10.06	\$528
Optical Circuits	Per Connection	\$6.71	\$2,431
Virtual to Virtual Connection			
Fiber	Per Cable	\$.19	\$526.17
DS-1/DS-3	Per Cable	\$.17	\$134.46
Equipment Maintenance and Security Escort			
Regular Time	Per ¼ hour	NA	\$10.89
Overtime	Per ¼ hour	NA	\$13.64
Premium Time	Per ¼ hour	NA	\$16.40