

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Request by BellSouth
Telcommunications, Inc. for
approval of amendment to
interconnection, unbundling, and
resale agreement with Bayou
Telephone Company.

DOCKET NO. 990854-TP
ORDER NO. PSC-99-1558-FOF-TP
ISSUED: August 5, 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 June 28, 1999, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (BellSouth) and Bayou Telephone Company (Bayou Telephone) filed a request for approval of an amendment to the existing interconnection, unbundling, and resale agreement pursuant to 47 U.S.C. §252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (The Act). The amendment to the existing agreement is incorporated by reference herein. A copy of the amendment to the existing agreement may be obtained from the official docket file by contacting our Division of Records and Reporting.

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

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The existing agreement 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 Act; 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 Bayou Telephone 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). We note that Bayou Telephone does not currently hold a Florida certificate to provide alternative local exchange telecommunications service, and therefore, it cannot provide alternative local exchange telecommunications services under this agreement until it obtains a certificate from this Commission.

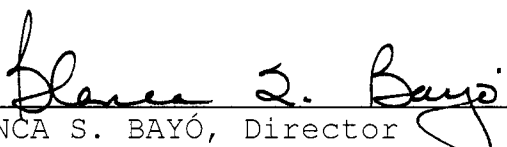
Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the amendment to the existing interconnection, unbundling, and resale agreement between BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and Bayou Telephone Company, is incorporated by reference in this Order, and is hereby approved. A copy of the amendment to the existing agreement may be obtained as specified in the body of this Order. 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 5th day of August, 1999.



BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director
Division of Records and Reporting

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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).

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TELCOMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO
INTERCONNECTION, UNBUNDLING, AND RESALE AGREEMENT WITH
BAYOU TELEPHONE COMPANY.

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Attached is an ORDER APPROVING AMENDMENT TO EXISTING
INTERCONNECTION, UNBUNDLING, AND RESALE AGREEMENT to be issued in
the above-referenced docket. (Number of pages in order - 3)

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