

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Implementation of requirements arising from Federal Communications Commission's triennial UNE review: Location-Specific Review for DS1, DS3 and Dark Fiber Loops, and Route-Specific Review for DS1, DS3 and Dark Fiber Transport.

DOCKET NO. 030852-TP
ORDER NO. PSC-04-0217-CFO-TP
ISSUED: February 25, 2004

ORDER GRANTING REQUESTS FOR SPECIFIED CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION OF SPECIFIED BELL SOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. DOCUMENTS

I. Case Background

In response to the Federal Communications Commission's ("FCC's") August 21, 2003, Triennial Review Order ("TRO"), this Commission opened two dockets to ascertain whether a requesting carrier is impaired by lack of access to certain incumbent local exchange companies' network elements.

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (BellSouth) has filed Requests for Specified Confidential Classification of certain documents produced in this proceeding. The chart below shows the date of the request and the document at issue.

Date of Request	Document No.	Attachment
December		
22	13326-03	A
22	13327-03	A
January		
9	00431-04	B
February		
10	01918-04	C
18	02372-04	D

II. Analysis

In its request, BellSouth asks for protection of the specific pages and line numbers as set forth in Attachments A through D, which are attached and incorporated in this Order by reference. BellSouth contends that release of this information would provide its competitors with an undue competitive advantage in that they would have access to this competitively sensitive, confidential information.

DOCUMENT NUMBER - DATE

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Florida law presumes that documents submitted to governmental agencies shall be public records. The only exceptions to this presumption are the specific statutory exemptions provided in the law and exemptions granted by governmental agencies pursuant to the specific terms of a statutory provision. This presumption is based on the concept that government should operate in the "sunshine." Rule 25-22.006(4)(c), Florida Administrative Code, provides that it is the Company's burden to demonstrate that the documents fall into one of the statutory examples set out in Section 364.183, Florida Statutes, or to demonstrate that the information is proprietary confidential information, the disclosure of which will cause the Company or its ratepayers harm.

Section 364.183(3), Florida Statutes, states that "proprietary confidential business information" is:

[o]wned or controlled by the person or company, is intended to be and is treated by the person or company as private in that the disclosure of the information would cause harm to the ratepayers or the person's or company's business operations, and has not been disclosed unless disclosed pursuant to a statutory provision, an order of a court or administrative body, or private agreement that provides that the information will not be released to the public.

Based on the definition of proprietary confidential business information in Section 364.183(3), Florida Statutes, it appears that the information for which BellSouth seeks confidential classification is information that, if disclosed, would cause harm to BellSouth's competitive interests and its business operations. Thus, this information qualifies as proprietary confidential business information under Section 364.183, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code. As such, BellSouth's requests for confidential classification are hereby granted.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by Commissioner Charles M. Davidson, as Prehearing Officer, that BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s Requests for Specified Confidential Classification, as set forth in Attachments A-D, are hereby granted. It is further

ORDERED that pursuant to Section 364.183, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, any confidentiality granted to the material specified herein shall expire eighteen (18) months from the date of the issuance of this Order in the absence of a renewed request for confidentiality pursuant to Section 364.183, Florida Statutes. It is further

ORDERED that this Order will be the only notification by the Commission to the parties concerning the expiration of the confidentiality time period.

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By ORDER of Commissioner Charles M. Davidson, as Prehearing Officer, this 25th
day of February, 2004.



CHARLES M. DAVIDSON
Commissioner and Prehearing Officer

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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.

Any party adversely affected by this order, which is preliminary, procedural or intermediate in nature, may request: (1) reconsideration within 10 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.0376, 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 wastewater utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed with the Director, Division of the Commission Clerk and Administrative Services, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code. Judicial review of a preliminary, procedural or intermediate ruling or order is available if review of the final action will not provide an adequate remedy. Such review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.

ATTACHMENT A

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**REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION OF BELLSOUTH'S DIRECT
TESTIMONY OF ANIRUDDHA (ANDY) BANERJEE, PH. D. AND EXHIBITS SWP-3
AND SWP-8 TO THE DIRECT TESTIMONY OF SHELLEY W. PADGETT
FILED DECEMBER 22, 2003, IN FLORIDA DOCKET NO. 030852-TP**

Explanation of Proprietary Information

1. This information contains business information related to competitive interests of BellSouth that is proprietary to BellSouth. Disclosure of this data would impair the competitive business and cause harm to BellSouth. Specifically, this information relates to costs and revenue for specific retail and wholesale services. This information also contains third party vendor information. Consequently, this information should be classified as proprietary, confidential business information pursuant to Section 364.183(3)(e), Florida Statutes and is exempt from the Open Records Act.

<u>Location</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Testimony of Aniruddha (Andy) Banerjee Page 12 of 23, line 3	1
<u>Exhibit SWP-3</u>	
Carrier and Capabilities Column Entitled "Carrier," all rows, all pages	1
Customer Location Column Entitled "Address," all rows, all pages	1
<u>Exhibit SWP-8</u>	
Carrier and Capabilities Column Entitled "Carrier", all rows, all pages	1

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**REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION OF
EXHIBITS SWP-3 AND SWP-8 TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL DIRECT TESTIMONY
OF SHELLEY W. PADGETT FILED JANUARY 9, 2004, IN
FLORIDA DOCKET NO. 030852-TP**

Explanation of Proprietary Information

1. This information contains business information related to competitive interests of BellSouth that is proprietary to BellSouth. Disclosure of this data would impair the competitive business and cause harm to BellSouth. Specifically, this information contains customer specific information. This information should be classified as proprietary, confidential business information pursuant to Section 364.183(3)(e), Florida Statutes and is exempt from the Open Records Act.

Location

Reason

Exhibit SWP-3

Carrier and Capabilities

Column Entitled "Carrier," all rows, all pages

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Customer Location

Column Entitled "Address," all rows, all pages

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Exhibit SWP-8

Carrier and Capabilities

Column Entitled "Carrier", all rows, all pages

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**REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION BELLSOUTH'S RESPONSE TO
FCCA'S 1ST REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS, ITEM NO. 1, AS
FILED ON JANUARY 20, 2004 IN FLORIDA DOCKET NO. 030852-TP**

Explanation of Proprietary Information

1. This information contains business information related to competitive interests of BellSouth that is proprietary to BellSouth. Disclosure of this data would impair the competitive business and cause harm to BellSouth. Specifically, this information contains customer specific information. This information should be classified as proprietary, confidential business information pursuant to Section 364.183(3)(e), Florida Statutes and is exempt from the Open Records Act.

Location

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POD NO. 1

Entire Document

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**REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION OF BELLSOUTH'S
RESPONSES TO AT&T'S FIRST REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS,
ITEM NOS. 1 AND 3, FILED JANUARY 28, 2004,
IN FLORIDA DOCKET NO. 030852-TP**

Explanation of Proprietary Information

2. BellSouth purchased this document from Telecordia pursuant to a contract that requires BellSouth to keep this information confidential, and which bars disclosure to third parties.

<u>Location</u>	<u>Reason</u>
<u>Request for Production, Item No. 1</u>	
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<u>Request for Production, Item No. 3</u>	
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