

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Request for approval of) DOCKET NO. 930324-TI
tariff filing to decrease Day) ORDER NO. PSC-93-0720-FOF-TI
Rates and increase Evening and) ISSUED: May 12, 1993
Night Weekend Rates for 800)
Readyline and Gold Services by)
AT&T COMMUNICATIONS OF THE)
SOUTHERN STATES, INC.)
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The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

J. TERRY DEASON, Chairman
THOMAS M. BEARD
SUSAN F. CLARK
JULIA L. JOHNSON

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF FILING

BY THE COMMISSION:

On March 19, 1993, AT&T Communications of the Southern States, Inc. (ATT-C or the Company) filed a tariff to change the rates for two of its services: 800 Readyline and 800 Gold Service-Switched.

800 READYLINE

800 Readyline permits inward 800 number calling from stations throughout the state to the customer's station. The service can be provisioned either over the switched network or with a dedicated end piece. The service targets small to medium volume customers. Rates are based on per hour use. The current rates are:

<u>DAY</u>	<u>EVENING</u>	<u>NIGHT/WEEKEND</u>
\$14.95	\$14.69	\$12.74

The proposed rates are:

<u>DAY</u>	<u>EVENING</u>	<u>NIGHT/WEEKEND</u>
\$14.82	\$14.82	\$14.82

The Company states that the changes, which result in a flat rate regardless of time of day, are needed to position the service to compete in the market. We note that the increase in off peak rates exceeds the caps previously set.

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ATT-C states that the expected revenue impact will be neutral. This is because the majority of usage is daytime where rates are being decreased by a relatively small amount compared to the larger evening and night/weekend increases.

Upon review, we approve the proposed rates. Raising the evening and night/weekend rates will stimulate competition by encouraging ATT-C's customers which have high traffic volumes during the off-peak hours to more closely examine ATT-C's competitors' rates and services.

800 GOLD

800 Gold Service is offered in response to requests by those 800 customers who would be severely impacted by any service interruptions and who need accelerated responses to outages. Airline reservation services and televised shopping network services would be two examples of potential customers.

800 Gold Services-Switched can be purchased in three ways; Gold Basic, Option 1, and Option 2. The chart below shows what guarantees are available under each option.

<u>Guarantees</u>	<u>Gold Basic</u>	<u>Option 1</u>	<u>Option 2</u>
Uninterrupted Service	X	X	X
Service Repair	X	X	X
Call Completion	X		
Expedited Provisioning	X		X
Standard Provisioning		X	

A separate rate schedule is applied to each option, with rates set on per hour of use. ATT-C proposes to decrease the day rates and raise the evening and night/weekend rates. The effect of these changes is to have uniform rates, regardless of time of day, for each option. The current and proposed rates follow:

Gold Basic:

	<u>DAY</u>	<u>EVENING</u>	<u>NIGHT/WEEKEND</u>
current:	\$15.88	\$15.60	\$13.53
proposed:	\$15.71	\$15.71	\$15.71

Option 1:

	<u>DAY</u>	<u>EVENING</u>	<u>NIGHT/WEEKEND</u>
current:	\$15.64	\$15.37	\$13.33
proposed:	\$15.50	\$15.50	\$15.50

Option 2:

	<u>DAY</u>	<u>EVENING</u>	<u>NIGHT/WEEKEND</u>
current:	\$15.64	\$15.37	\$13.33
proposed:	\$15.50	\$15.50	\$15.50

Upon review, we approve the tariff. ATT-C's interstate tariff, to which this filing is an add-on, specifies that any alternate routing selected by the customer will be completed within 30 minutes of ATT-C confirming that the alternate routing option is available. For 800 Gold Service, this time frame is 15 minutes. If ATT-C's customers need more stringent guarantees and credit arrangements, and these customers are willing to pay the additional charge for the service, then we find that the rate decreases in the daytime, when most of the traffic occurs, will be beneficial.

Based upon the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that proposal by AT&T Communications of the Southern States to decrease day rates and to increase evening and night/weekend rates for 800 Readyline service is hereby approved. It is further

ORDERED that the proposal by AT&T Communications of the Southern States to decrease day rates and increase evening and night/weekend rates for 800 Gold Service-Switched is hereby approved.

ORDERED that the tariff shall become effective April 20, 1993. If a timely protest is filed, the tariff shall remain in effect with any revenues held subject to refund 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 12th
day of May, 1993.

STEVE TRIBBLE, Director
Division of Records and Reporting

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by: Kay Flynn
Chief, Bureau of Records

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.

The Commission's decision on this tariff is interim in nature and will become final, unless a person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed files a petition for a formal proceeding, as provided by Rule 25-22.036(4), Florida Administrative Code, in the form provided by Rule 25-22.036(7)(a)(d) and (e), Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting at his office at 101 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870, by the close of business on June 2, 1993.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become final 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 on the date described above, any party adversely 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 date this Order becomes final, 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.