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Re: Docket No. 921193-TL - Palm Beach County EAS

Dear Mr. Tribble:

Enclosed please find an original and fifteen copies of Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company's Motion for Extension of Time to Conduct Surveys, which we ask that you file in the above-captioned docket.

A copy of this letter is enclosed. Please mark it to indicate that the original was filed and return the copy to me. Copies have been served to the parties shown on the attached Certificate of Service.

Sincerely yours
J. Phillip Carver (AS)
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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Request by Palm Beach) Docket No. 921193-TL
County Board of County)
Commissioners for Extended Area)
Service Between all Exchanges)
in Palm Beach County)
_____) Filed: March 1, 1994

**SOUTHERN BELL TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY'S
MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO CONDUCT SURVEYS**

COMES NOW BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a/ Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company ("Southern Bell" or "Company"), pursuant to Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, and files this Motion for Extension of Time to Conduct Surveys, and states in support thereof the following:

1. On December 27, 1993, the Florida Public Service Commission ("Commission") issued Order No. PSC-93-1828-FOF-TL, which required Southern Bell to conduct EAS surveys for the following routes:

1. Belle Glade/West Palm Beach
2. Pahokee/West Palm Beach
3. Delray Beach/West Palm Beach
4. Boca Raton/West Palm Beach
5. Boynton Beach/Boca Raton

2. The first four of the five routes identified above are to be surveyed for nonoptional, flat rate, two-way EAS at rates that have been calculated to recover 25% of Southern Bell's toll loss in addition to the 25/25 additives.

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3. Subsequent to the entry of this Order, Southern Bell discovered that there were certain errors in the traffic studies that it filed in this docket on June 7, 1993. Specifically, the amount of the revenue per message for traffic between three of the routes¹ was erroneously calculated by using normal toll rates even though these three routes were subject to an EOEAS plan at the time that the studies were conducted. Thus, the revenue per message calculation should have included an adjustment for the effect of the EOEAS plans. Southern Bell filed its Notice of Modification to Traffic Studies and Notice of Intent on January 10, 1994 in order to provide the correct calculation.

4. The rates at which the customers on these three routes are to be surveyed (as set forth in Order No. PSC-93-1828-FOF-TL) are based on additives that have been calculated using information from the above-referenced traffic studies provided by Southern Bell. Accordingly, the above-referenced modification to the revenue per message calculation results in a corresponding reduction of the additive for these three routes. For this reason, the Commission Staff issued on January 20, 1994 a Recommendation that Order No. PSC-93-1828-FOF-TL be amended to

¹ Belle Glade-West Palm Beach, Delray Beach-West Palm Beach, and Pahokee-West Palm Beach.

require that Southern Bell survey the customers on these three routes at the correct, modified rates. This matter is currently set to be considered at the Agenda Conference scheduled for March 8, 1994.

5. Order No. PSC-93-1828-FOF-TL requires that the above-described surveys be conducted by March 3, 1994. Given the facts set forth above, it is clear that this survey cannot be properly conducted by that date. Therefore, Southern Bell requests an extension of time to allow this Commission an opportunity to rule on Southern Bell's Notice and the Staff's Recommendation, and for Southern Bell to make any changes in the survey ballots that are required by this Commission's ruling.

6. As stated above, only the rates for three of the five routes that will be surveyed need to be modified. Southern Bell believes, however, that it would result in confusion to customers in Palm Beach County if the ballots for some routes were sent out at a different time than ballots for other routes. Moreover, conducting the surveys in two parts would result in inefficiency and unnecessary expense to Southern Bell. For this reason, Southern Bell requests that the time for conducting the surveys be extended as to all five routes so that all can be performed at one time.

7. Finally, after the Commission rules on this matter, Southern Bell will require a short period of time to amend the survey ballots as required by the terms of the Commission's Order. For this reason, Southern Bell requests that the time for conducting the surveys be extended until fifteen days after the date on which the Order on this matter becomes final and effective.

WHEREFORE, Southern Bell requests the entry of an Order granting it an extension of time on the terms set forth above to conduct the required surveys in this docket.

Respectfully submitted,

SOUTHERN BELL TELEPHONE AND
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
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