

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Request for approval of ) DOCKET NO. 940061-TL  
tariff filing introducing local ) ORDER NO. PSC-94-0365-FOF-TL  
usage detail for public ) ISSUED: March 30, 1994  
telephone access service and )  
SmartLine customers by BELLSOUTH )  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. d/b/a )  
SOUTHERN BELL TELEPHONE AND )  
TELEGRAPH COMPANY (T-93-710 )  
FILED 12/3/93) )  
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The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

J. TERRY DEASON, Chairman  
SUSAN F. CLARK  
JULIA L. JOHNSON  
DIANE K. KIESLING  
LUIS J. LAUREDO

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF FILING

BY THE COMMISSION:

On December 3, 1993, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company (Southern Bell or Company) filed a proposed tariff seeking to provide Local Usage Detail for non-LEC, privately owned pay telephone service providers (NPATS).

NPATS providers currently subscribe to Public Telephone Access Service if they use intelligent pay telephone instruments that have self-contained payphone functions, or SmartLine Service if they use "dumb" phones that rely on the central office for coin control and other functions. Local Usage Detail is a feature specifically designed to allow NPATS providers using either access service to view call details of each local call generated from their paystations. NPATS providers have long sought this ability, but Southern Bell was previously unable to provide the service.

The Company expects approximately ten percent of all NPATS access lines to subscribe to Local Usage Detail at any one time. Experience in other states suggests that NPATS providers use the service "as-needed," or only when problems or inconsistencies arise.

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The Company projects an average of 540 local calls per month per line, and an average of 27,000 total NPATS access lines in Florida for 1994. At the Company's proposed rate of \$0.01 per call, the average NPATS provider would pay \$5.40 per line per month for this service. Southern Bell estimates its incremental cost at \$0.005 per call. This will generate a contribution of \$87,480.00 during the first year, based on \$174,960.00 in total revenues.

During our consideration of this matter the Florida Pay Telephone Association (FPTA) argued that we should deny approval of the tariff and require Southern Bell to provide this local usage detail at no charge. In support the FPTA argues that the only additional cost to the Company to provide this service is that incurred for printing, handling and postage. Further, FPTA argues in the alternative that, if a charge is appropriate, the rate proposed by Southern Bell is too far in excess of cost.

Southern Bell argues in response that the tariff is being filed to comply with the Commission's unbundling requirements and that the cost studies upon which the FPTA depends are for coin access lines only and do not include costs for local usage detail. The Company also argues that resellers are charged for call detail. Southern Bell further argues that the NPATS providers should not be heard to complain here about paying for this additional service because they received rate reductions for access lines and free billed number screening as part of the recent settlement in the Southern Bell rate case proceeding in Docket 920260-TL. Finally the Company argues that NPATS do not have to obtain local usage detail from Southern Bell since they can generate this information themselves.

Upon consideration we find it appropriate to approve this tariff filing. Although the Company projects that it will realize a relatively small profit from the service, we believe that this feature will aid NPATS providers in the management of their businesses. We are not persuaded that the service should be provided without charge or that the proposed rate is excessive.

Based on the foregoing, it is

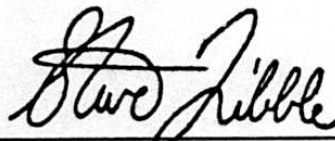
ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the tariff filing by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a/ Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company proposing to provide Local Usage Detail for non-LEC, privately owned pay telephone service providers is approved as set forth in the body of this Order. It is further

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ORDERED that this tariff shall be effective March 14, 1994.  
It is further

ORDERED that if a timely protest is filed in accordance with the requirements set forth below, this tariff shall remain in effect with any increase in revenues held subject to refund pending resolution of the protest. If no timely protest is filed, this docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 30th day of March, 1994.



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STEVE TRIBBLE, Director  
Division of Records and Reporting

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Commissioner Luis J. Lauredo dissented from the Commission's decision to approve this tariff.

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

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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 April 20, 1994.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become final on the day subsequent to the above date.

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