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#### State of Florida



Blanca S. Bayó, Director Division of Records and Reporting (904) 413-6770

## Public Service Commission

DATE:

October 4, 1995

TO:

Parties of Record

FROM:

Blanca S. Bayó, Director Division of Records and Reporting

RE:

Docket No. 920260-TL - Comprehensive review of the revenue

requirements and rate stabilization plan of SOUTHERN BELL TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

This is to inform you that Chairman Clark has reported the following communications in the above referenced docket.

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- Letter from Representative Jack N. Tobin, dated September 19, 1995.
- Letter from Representative Evelyn J. Lynn, dated September 18, 1995.

Representative Jacobs, Sanderson, Minton, MacKenzie, Arnall, Dawson, Tobin and Lynn's letters and Chairman Clark's responses, copies of which are attached, are being made a part of the record in these proceedings. Pursuant to Section 350.042, F.S., any party who desires to respond to an ex parte communication may do so. The response must be received by the Commission within 10 days after receiving notice that the ex parte communication has been placed on the record.

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Attachments

cc: Rob Vandiver/w/letter



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## Florida House of Representatives

SUZANNE JACOBS
REPRESENTATIVE. DISTRICT 88

September 13, 1995

Ms. Susan Clark, Chair Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0950

**Dear Commissioner Clark:** 

I view with great alarm PSC staff's recommendation to reject BellSouth's initial proposal for a 25-cent charge for local calls.

This recommendation would adversely affect thousands of my constituents. For example, BellSouth's proposal would have allowed people living in and south of Boynton Beach to call all of Broward County for 25 cents. Staff rejected this, thus leaving my constituents to pay long-distance rates into Broward County.

I understand that staff made the recommendations to alter the BellSouth proposal because of lack of community interest and low telephone use in certain areas. Lack of community interest? Would you care to have me forward you the literally hundreds of petitions I have seen? I hope you will listen to the voices of Floridians, especially Public Council Jack Shreve, who applaud BellSouth's proposal. Many of my constituents have fought for changes in telephone charges for several years. I can assure you that your staff's proposals contain little benefit to my constituents, many of whom are of limited means.

I urge you to take into consideration these thoughts before you vote on this issue on September 26. I welcome your comments on this and any other issue; please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Jacobs State/Representative

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## Public Service Commission

September 19, 1995

The Honorable Suzanne Jacobs Representative, District 88 Florida House of Representatives 990 South Congress Avenue, Suite 5 Delray Beach, Florida 33445

Dear Representative Jacobs:

Thank you for your letter dated September 13, 1995, in support of Southern Bell's proposal to implement extended calling service (ECS) on a number of routes in South Florida.

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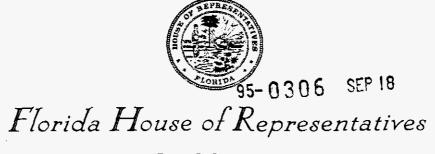
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Thank you again for your letter.

Sincerely

Susan F. Clark

Chairman



Debby P. Sanderson Representative. District 91

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September 13, 1995

The Honorable Susan F. Clark, Chair Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Dear Chairman Clark,

4800 N.E. 20th Terrace, Suite 401

Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33308

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I am writing to express my support of the 25 cent flat rate proposed by Southern Bell for Tri-County (Dade-Broward-Palm Beach) dialing in South Florida.

The proposed 25 cent flat rate would help the people of South Florida in various ways. First, as you know, our region is unique in that many residents live in one county, work in another, and have friends in a third. The Southern Bell proposal would give the consumer the advantage by making inter-county dialing more affordable. After years of being overcharged and paying long distance rates, consumers would finally be able to make their calls for a flat rate of 25 cents.

Furthermore, the proposed plan would greatly benefit the local businesses. If given the opportunity to make unlimited phone calls at a cost of just 25 cents each (as opposed to a prorated long distance rate), I am sure that the area businesses of Dade, Broward and Palm Beach counties would grow and expand their networking efforts to encompass a larger area.

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While I understand the P.S.C. staff's concerns over the proposed plan, I urge you to carefully review the benefits of Southern Bell's proposal. By so doing, I am sure that you will agree that the positive aspects far outweigh the negative and the real winners here would be our constituents.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Debby 7. Sanderson

Susan F. Clark Chairman



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## Public Service Commission

September 19, 1995

The Honorable Debby P. Sanderson Representative, District 91 Florida House of Representatives 4800 Northeast 20th Terrace, Suite 401 Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 33308

Dear Representative Sanderson:

Thank you for your letter dated September 13, 1995, in support of Southern Bell's proposal to implement extended calling service (ECS) on a number of routes in South Florida.

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## Florida House of Representatives

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O. R. "RICK" MINTON, JR. REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT 78

330 House Office Building Tallahassee, FL 32399-1300 904+488-5588

September 13, 1995

Ms. Susan F. Clark Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399

Dear Ms. Clark:

Please accept my support for the passage of the original 25-cent phone calling plan proposed for Palm Beach, Broward, Dade and Monroe counties.

This is an issue affecting many of my constituents in Palm Beach County. They have called to voice their support for this plan and want to be able to call into Broward County without a longdistance charge. The constituents also have said they want the ability to call West Palm Beach from Delray Beach without being overcharged for a long-distance call.

Thank you for giving this issue serious consideration. I look prward to a positive result when the PSC decides September 26.

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Best regards,

O.R. "Rick" Minton, Jr. 78th District, Representative

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September 19, 1995

The Honorable O.R. "Rick" Minton, Jr. Representative, District 78 Florida House of Representatives 5353 West Atlantic Avenue, Suite 402-A Delray Beach, Florida 33484

Dear Representative Minton:

Thank you for your letter dated September 13, 1995, in support of Southern Bell's proposal to implement extended calling service (ECS) on a number of routes in South Florida.

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Susan F. Clark

Chairman



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## Florida House of Representatives

ANNE MACKENZIE REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT 99

#### MEMORANDUM

TO:

Susan F. Clark, Chair J. Terry Deason, Commissioner Julia L. Johnson, Commissioner Diane K. Kiesling, Commissioner

Joe Garcia, Commissioner

Anne Mackenzie, State Representativ FROM:

DATE: September 22, 1995

RE: Extended Flat Rate Calling Plan

> I am writing today to strongly urge the Public Service Commission to adopt the Southern Bell Extended Rate Calling Plan in its entirety.

The plan proposed by Southern Bell would offer four times as many 25 cent calling routes as the plan recommended by the PSC staff. Southern Bell's proposal would be more beneficial to the residents of Broward County, who are paying long distance charges of up to 19 cents per minute on current long distance routes between Dade, Broward, Monroe, and Palm Beach Counties.

In closing, again, I strongly urge the Public Service Commission to reject the PSC staff's recommendation concerning the Extended Flat Rate Calling Plan and reconsider the proposal of Southern Bell.

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## Public Service Commission

September 25, 1995

The Honorable Anne Mackenzie Representative, District 99 Florida House of Representatives 1000 South Federal Highway, Suite 105 Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33316

Dear Representative Mackenzie:

Thank you for your letter dated September 22, 1995, in support of Southern Bell's proposal to implement extended calling service (ECS) on a number of routes in South Florida.

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# Florida House of Representatives

JOSEPH H. ARNALL REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT 18

September 21, 1995

Ms. Susen F. Clark, Chairman Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

RE: Southern Bell extended calling plan

Dear Ms. Clark:

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I strongly support Southern Bell's original proposal as I feel it would greatly enhance service for the vast majority of their customers. I urge the Public Service Commission to please give favorable reconsideration to Southern Bell's original request.

Sincerely

Joseph H. Arnall

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# Florida House of Representatives

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# Florida House of Representatives

612 N. Andrews Avenue Fon Lauderdale, FL 33311 305\*467-4317 MURIEL "MANDY" DAWSON REPRESENTATIVE. DISTRICT 93

218 House Office Building Tallahassee, FL 32399-1300 904\*488-1084

September 19, 1995

Susan F. Clark, Chairman Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Dear Commissioner Clark:

I am writing to support Southern Bell's proposal to expand its 25-cent calling program. This calling program allows residents to place certain calls at a flat rate instead of paying for each minute.

With the blending of the boundaries between Broward, Dade and Palm Beach counties, South Florida has become a community. Residents of one county are frequently calling the neighboring county. Southern Bell's expanded plan proposal will save many of these consumers money, particularly consumers in my legislative district. Currently, Pompano Beach residents are not able to enjoy the cost-saving benefits of the 25-cent calling plan. Many residents of this city need every cost-saving benefit that they can get.

I respectfully request your favorable consideration to Southern Bell's expanded 25-cent calling program request.

With kind regards,

M. Mandy Dawson State Representative

District 93

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cc: Mike Branigan, Southern Bell

Florida Public Service Comm. Commissioner Clark

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## Public Service Commission

September 22, 1995

The Honorable Muriel "Mandy" Dawson Representative, District 93 Florida House of Representatives 612 North Andrews Avenue Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33311

Dear Representative Dawson:

Thank you for your letter dated September 19, 1995, in support of Southern Bell's proposal to implement extended calling service (ECS) on a number of routes in South Florida.

The Commission was scheduled to vote on this matter at its September 12, 1995, Agenda Conference; however, the matter was deferred for two weeks to give the Commissioners more time to understand the Commission's staff's recommendation. The Commission is now scheduled to render a decision at its September 26, 1995, Agenda Conference.

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Thank you again for your letter.

Sincerely.

Susan F. Clark

Chairman



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## Florida House of Representatives

4800 West Copans Road Coconut Creek, FL 33063 305\*975-0088 JACK N. TOBIN
REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT 95

310 House Office Building Tallahassee, FL 32399-1300

September 19, 1995

Chairperson Susan F. Clark Member, Public Service Commission 101 East Gaines Street Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Dear Commissioner Clark:

I understand that at the meeting scheduled for September 26th the Commission is planning to vote on a proposal which will allow certain Southern Bell users to pay a flat fee of 25 cents per call to certain cities.

I am aware that there are two proposals which you are considering, one which was prepared by Southern Bell and the other prepared by the PSC staff. I would like to take this opportunity to strongly support the Southern Bell proposal.

As a legislator from Northwest Broward, an area made up of many senior citizens who are living on a fixed income, I believe the Southern Bell proposal would offer a tremendous savings to those I represent by allowing them to make calls both to northern and southern cities. The proposal by PSC staff totally eliminates these people who reside in the Pompano Beach telephone calling area from the group who would benefit from this change. I believe this would create an unfair disadvantage to those people who reside in the district I represent.

I hope you will favorably consider the Scuthern Bell proposal at your September 26th meeting, as it is a more equitable proposal and will allow a savings to all residents of Broward County.

Sincerely,

Jack N. Tobin Florida House of Representatives District 95/

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## Public Service Commission

September 25, 1995

The Honorable Jack N. Tobin Representative, District 95 Florida House of Representatives 4800 West Copans Road Coconut Creek, Florida 33063

Dear Representative Tobin:

Thank you for your letter dated September 19, 1995, in support of Southern Bell's proposal to implement extended calling service (ECS) on a number of routes in South Florida.

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Susan F. Clark

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REPRESENTATIVE. DISTRICT 27

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September 18, 1995

Ms. Susan F. Clark, Chairperson Public Service Commission 101 East Gaines Street Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Dear Ms. Clark:

Many of my constituents have friends and business ties in Palm Coast, Bunnell and Flagler Beach in Flagler County. These three areas are those for which Southern Bell has requested the addition of 288 two-way routes to their 25-cent flat rate call system.

Long Distance costs for regional needs places a difficult burden on our County and especially on our elderly population living on fixed incomes. Regional calling plans, such as that proposed by Southern Bell, provide for a means of communication that is affordable by seniors and others having fixed or limited incomes. The growth of Flagler County and the business and commercial relationship between Flagler and Volusia Counties necessitates the inclusion of our area in the flat rate system.

I urge you to support the Southern Bell proposal and include Palm Coast, Bunnell and Flagler Beach communities in the 288 additional two-way routes of flat rate service.

Evelyn J.Lynn

State Representative

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Susan F. Clark Chairman



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## Public Service Commission

September 25, 1995

The Honorable Evelyn J. Lynn Representative, District 27 Florida House of Representatives 140 South Atlantic Avenue, Suite 202 Ormond Beach, Florida 32176

Dear Representative Lynn:

Thank you for your letter dated September 18, 1995, in support of Southern Bell's proposal to implement extended calling service (ECS) on a number of routes in South Florida.

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Chairman