

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Request for Approval of) DOCKET NO. 951157-TL
Tariff Filing to Reduce Minimum) ORDER NO. PSC-95-1456-FOF-TL
Service Period for Megalink) ISSUED: November 28, 1995
Channel Service and Make Textual)
Changes by BellSouth)
Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a)
Southern Bell Telephone and)
Telegraph Company. (T-95-608)
filed 9/21/95))

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

SUSAN F. CLARK, Chairman
J. TERRY DEASON
JOE GARCIA
JULIA L. JOHNSON
DIANE K. KIESLING

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

BY THE COMMISSION:

On September 21, 1995, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company (Southern Bell or the Company), filed a tariff to reduce the current twenty-four month minimum service period requirement for MegaLink channel service to one month. The revision would provide customers with an additional payment option. Currently, MegaLink channel service is offered only under variable contract rates. The Company contends that customers will benefit from an additional payment option.

MegaLink channel service is an intraLATA digital service which provides channelization capability for the customer in the Company's central office. MegaLink Channel Service is located in Section B7 of the Company's Private Line Service Tariff. The service provides local channels and/or interoffice channels for analog voice services. MegaLink channel service basic system capacities are currently available under variable contract rate periods only.

Southern Bell proposes in this filing to provide one month minimum service periods for MegaLink Channel Service Basic System Capacities. Minimum one month service periods would allow a customer to establish and pay for service on a month-to-month basis. A month-to-month schedule would be an option to the

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currently available contract payment plans. No new rates are proposed. Under the current tariff month-to-month rates are only available at the end of a contract payment period. The month-to-month rates listed in the current tariff would be applicable for a customer establishing service on a month-to-month basis under the proposed tariff.

The Company also proposes to add Uniform Service Order Codes (USOCs) to the tariff in Section B7.1.3 E. USOCs are commonly found throughout local exchange company tariffs. USOCs are alphanumeric codes used to identify a tariff item on a service order.

The proposed additional payment option for MegaLink Channel Service may be beneficial for customers who do not want to be locked into a long term contract. No additional costs will be incurred by Southern Bell due to this tariff filing. There are no proposed changes in rates. Any resulting changes in revenues will be a result of stimulated demand.

Upon consideration, we find it appropriate to approve Southern Bell's proposed tariff revised to reduce the minimum service period for subscribers to MegaLink Channel Service to one month. Furthermore, we find it appropriate to approve the use of USOCs as proposed therein. The tariff shall be effective November 20, 1995.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the revised tariff of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company, providing an optional minimum service period for subscribers to MegaLink Channel Service of one month is approved. It is further

ORDERED that the use of Uniform Service Order Codes as herein proposed is approved. It is further

ORDERED that this tariff shall be effective November 20, 1995. It is further

ORDERED that if a protest is filed in accordance with the requirements set forth below, this tariff shall remain in effect with any increase in revenue held subject to refund pending resolution of the protest. It is further

ORDERED that if no protest is filed in accordance with the requirements set forth below, this docket shall be closed.

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By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 28th
day of November, 1995.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director
Division of Records and Reporting

by: Kay Ferguson
Chief, Bureau of Records

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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, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, by the close of business on December 19, 1995.

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.

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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.