

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Request for approval of) DOCKET NO. 951327-TL
tariff filing to allow Mobile) ORDER NO. PSC-95-1621-FOF-TL
Service Providers to use) ISSUED: December 29, 1995
SMARTRing service from Private)
Line Service Tariff and)
LightGate service or SMARTRing)
service from Company's F.C.C.)
No. 1 tariff for)
interconnections and add two)
more types of optical equipment)
to OPTITALK service by BellSouth)
Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a)
Southern Bell Telephone and)
Telegraph Company. (T-95-697)
filed 10/31/95))

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 October 31, 1995, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company (Southern Bell) filed a proposed tariff to allow mobile service providers (MSPs) to use SMARTRing service and LightGate service from Section B7 of its private line tariff, or from its FCC No. 1 tariff, for the purpose of providing DS1 mobile service interconnection.

SMARTRing service is a dedicated, high capacity, network offering designed to provide increased reliability and functionality via a self-healing ring topology. Using SONET technology and fiber optics, this network transmits DS1 and DS3 channel services simultaneously over primary and alternate paths between Southern Bell's central offices and customer-designated locations. The difference between SMARTRing service offered in the Private Line Tariff and SMARTRing service offered in the FCC No. 1 Tariff revolves around capacity. In the Private Line Tariff,

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SMARTRing is offered at OC-3 and OC-12 transmission speeds. In the FCC No. 1 Tariff, SMARTRing is offered at OC-3, OC-3+, OC-12, OC-24, OC-48, and OC-48+ transmission speeds. The service is functionally identical in both tariffs.

LightGate service is a fiber optic based digital service which provides local channel, interoffice channel, and channelization capability for a customer. LightGate service is provided in packages based on systems with DS3, DS1, and/or multiple voice grade channel equivalents. Like SMARTRing, the difference between LightGate service offered in the Private Line Tariff and LightGate service offered in the FCC No. 1 Tariff is based on capacity. While only LightGate 1 service and LightGate 2 service is offered in the Private Line Tariff, LightGate services 1, 2, 3, and 4 are offered in the FCC No. 1 Tariff.

According to Southern Bell, an MSP would purchase SMARTRing service or LightGate service from the Private Line tariff if the traffic is intrastate intraLATA traffic. If greater than ten percent of the traffic is interstate, the MSP would purchase the service from its FCC No. 1 tariff.

Southern Bell also proposes to modify OPTITALK service. OPTITALK is a point-to-point service which allows a MSP to connect cellular antennae together through fiber facilities and optical equipment. Currently, the only optical equipment available for providing OPTITALK is from the AT&T Autoplex 1000 system (Type B Interface). Southern Bell proposes to offer two additional pieces of optical equipment; the ADC Kentrox CityCell system (Type C Interface) and the Peninsular LC-800 Lightwave microcell system (Type D Interface). Southern Bell estimates that there will be a demand for nine units of the ADC Kentrox and nine units of the Peninsular LC-800 equipment.

According to Southern Bell, the annual revenue impact from the additional equipment will be approximately \$388,000, based on the estimated demand for the ADC Kentrox and Peninsula LC-800 equipment and assuming at least a two-mile local channel. We have reviewed its cost study and it appears that the estimated costs are covered by the proposed rates.

Upon consideration of the above, we find it appropriate to approve Southern Bell's request to allow MSPs to use SMARTRing service and LightGate service from its Private Line Service Tariff or from its FCC No. 1 Tariff and to add two types of optical equipment to OPTITALK service, effective December 30, 1995.

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It is, therefore,

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company's proposed tariff to allow mobile service providers to use SMARTRing service and LightGate service from Section B7 of its private line tariff or from its FCC No. 1 tariff and to offer ADC Kentrox CityCell and Peninsular LC-800 Lightwave microcell interfaces for OPTITALK service is approved, effective December 30, 1995. It is further

ORDERED that if a protest is filed in the form and by the date specified in the Notice of Further Proceedings or Judicial Review, this tariff shall remain in effect, with any increase 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 29th day of December, 1995.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director
Division of Records and Reporting

by: Kay Dejeu
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 January 19, 1996.

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.