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**BY HAND DELIVERY**

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2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
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Re: Comprehensive Review of the revenue requirements and rate stabilization plan of Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company  
Docket No. 920260-TL

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above-styled docket are the original and fifteen (15) copies of AT&T Communications of the Southern States, Inc.'s Prehearing Statement.

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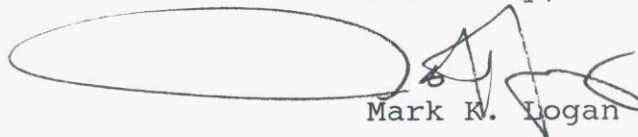
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Please acknowledge receipt and filing of the above by stamping the duplicate copy of this letter and returning the same to this writer.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

  
Mark K. Logan

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Comprehensive Review of ) DOCKET NO. 920260-TL  
the revenue requirements and rate )  
stabilization plan of Southern )  
Bell Telephone and Telegraph ) Filed: September 20, 1996  
Company )  
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AT&T COMMUNICATIONS OF THE SOUTHERN STATES, INC.'S  
PREHEARING STATEMENT

AT&T Communications of the Southern States, Inc. ("AT&T"), pursuant to Rule 25-22.038, Fla. Admin. Code and Order No. PSC-96-1090-PCO-TL (July 26, 1996) files its Prehearing Statement and states:

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B. WITNESSES:

Mike Guedel will testify on behalf of AT&T on all issues.

C. EXHIBITS:

None

D. STATEMENT OF BASIC POSITION

The Commission should approve the Joint Proposal of AT&T, MCI, Sprint, FIXCA, Ad Hoc and McCaw. The access charge reductions contained in the joint proposal are essential to the fostering

the benefits of local competition contemplated by the enactment of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. The Commission should apply a significant portion of the unspecified reduction amount to eliminate the residual interconnection charge ("RIC"). This charge has no cost basis and should be eliminated.

E. STATEMENT OF ISSUES AND POSITIONS

Issue 1:

|   |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| <b>A) BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.:</b>   | <u>millions</u> |
| 1) Reduce switched access (introduce zone density)  | \$16.40         |
| 2) Reduce PBX rates and introduce term contracts  | 13.45           |
| 3) Waive certain business and residential<br>Secondary Service Order charges  | 5.81            |
| 4) Reduce First Line Connection charge (Business)   | 3.22            |
| 5) Introduce Area Plus for Business   | 2.25            |
| 6) Eliminate usage charge on Remote Call Forwarding   | 2.01            |
| 7) Reduce DID recurring and non-recurring charges   | 1.88            |
| 8) Credit for ECS routes implemented  | 1.10            |
| 9) Reduce Business Line monthly rates<br>in Rate Group 12   | .62             |
| 10) Reduce Magalink interoffice rates   | .58             |
| 11) Reduce WATS and 800 Service access line charges   | .36             |
| 12) Eliminate the Secondary Service Order charge<br>for WatsSaver   | .30             |
| 13) Reduce SNAC charges for Business  | .07             |
| 14) Reduce DS-1 interoffice mileage rates   | <u>.04</u>      |
|   | \$48.09         |
| <br><b>B) Joint Proposal of ATT, MCI, Sprint Communications, FIXCA, Ad<br/>Hoc and McCaw Communications:</b>                                      |                 |
|   | <u>millions</u> |
| 1) Reduce PBX and DID trunk charges   | \$11.00         |
| 2) Eliminate the Residual Interconnection Charges   | 35.00           |
| 3) Reduce mobile interconnection rates  | <u>2.00</u>     |
|   | \$48.00         |
| <br><b>C) Public Counsel:</b>   |                 |
| Establish a reserve fund to assist Bellsouth<br>Telecommunication, Inc. customers who have experience problems<br>with conversion to the 954 NPA. |                 |
| <br><b>D) FCTA:</b>   |                 |
| Eliminate nonrecurring charges for interconnection trunks and<br>special access circuits ordered by ALECs.  |                 |
| <br><b>E) Palm Beach Newspapers, Inc./Florida Today:</b>  |                 |
| Reduce usage rates for N11 service to \$.02 per minute.   |                 |

**AT&T:**

The Commission should adopt proposal "B" - the joint proposal of AT&T, MCI, Sprint Communications, FIXCA, Ad Hoc and McCaw Communications.

**Issue 2:**

To the extent the Commission does not approve the plans proposed by BellSouth, Public Counsel, FCTA, Palm Beach Newspapers, Inc./Florida Today and AT&T, MCI, Sprint, FIXCA, AD Hoc and McCaw, how should the Commission implement the scheduled rate reduction?

**AT&T:**

As noted in its response to Issue No. 1 above, AT&T encourages the Commission to adopt the joint proposal co-sponsored by AT&T in this docket (item "B" in Issue 1).

However, in making any selection, the Commission should focus its prescribed rate relief on those BellSouth rate elements or services that are: 1) recognized to be priced in excess of cost today, and 2) either not likely to be positively influenced by competition, or likely to frustrate competition if prices remain at current levels.

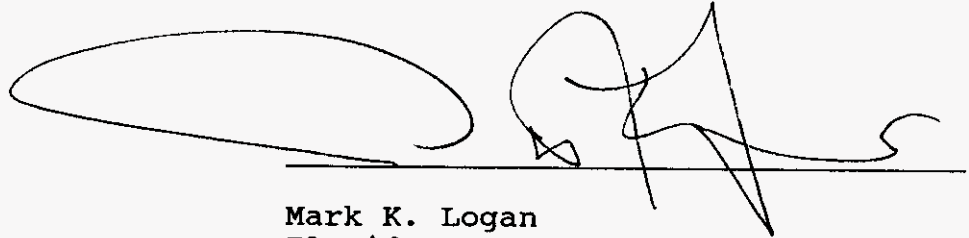
**Issue 3:**

What should be the effective dates of the approved tariffs?

**AT&T:**

The tariffs should be effective October 1, 1996.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Mark K. Logan', written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and somewhat cursive.

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