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Ms. Blanca S. Bayo Director, Records & Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Docket No. 96-1153-TL Re:

Dear Ms. Bayo:

On behalf of BellSouth Mobility Inc., enclosed for filing in the above docket is the original and 15 copies of the BellSouth Mobility Inc.'s Prehearing Statement and the Motion to Permit Late Filing Of Prehearing Statements.

If you have any questions, please give me a call.

Sincerely.

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Petition for numbering plan area relief for 904 area code, by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. Docket No. 96-1153-TL

Filed: November 25, 1996

BELLSOUTH MOBILITY INC.'S PREHEARING STATEMENT

Pursuant to Order No. PSC-96-1324-PCO-TL, BellSouth Mobility, Inc. files this Prehearing Statement in the above-captioned docket.

A. Witnesses: Ron Burleson - Impact of relief plans on cellular industry.

B. Exhibits: None.

C. <u>Basic Position</u>: Of the three relief options developed by the industry group, it is the view of BellSouth Mobility Inc. that Option 1 is the least objectionable approach, with Option 2 also being acceptable. Option 1 would assign a new NPA to Pensacola, Panama City and Tallahassee LATA's. Option 2 would assign a new NPA to Pensacola and Panama City LATA's. Option 1 provides the most favorable long-term solution and eliminates the need to disrupt the customer base again in two years. Option 1A is the least desirable of the three options presented.

D. Position on the identified issues:

<u>Issue 1</u>: What geographic split plan for the 904 area code relief should be ordered by the Commission?

<u>BellSouth Mobility Position</u>: Of the three available options identified by the industry group, Option 1 is the most desirable option and should be implemented by the Commission.

Issue 2: How and when should the area code relief be implemented?

<u>BellSouth Mobility Position</u>: Relief should be implemented through a transition plan, which would allow permissive dialing after a certain period and mandatory dialing to commence in the second quarter of 1998.

E. Questions of Law: None.

F. Policy Questions: What is the appropriate numbering plan area relief for the

904 area code?

G. <u>Stipulated Issues</u>: There have been no stipulations entered into between the parties at this time.

H. <u>Pending Motions</u>: BellSouth Mobility Inc. has no motions pending at this time.

 Prehearing Order Requirements: BellSouth Mobility Inc. is now aware of any requirements in the prehearing order which cannot be complied with.

Dated this 2524 day of November, 1996.

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