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Mrs. Blanca S. Bayo, Director
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Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
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Docket No. 96⁷0172-TL

Dear Mrs. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above referenced docket are an original and fifteen (15) copies of AT&T's Petition for Leave to Intervene.

Copies of the foregoing are being served on all Parties of Record in accordance with the attached Certificate of Service.

Yours truly,
Tracy Hatch
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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition by MCI)
Telecommunications Corporation)
for an order requiring BellSouth)
Telecommunications, Inc. to remove)
its deregulated payphone investment))
and associated expenses from its)
intrastate operations and reduce)
the Carrier Common Line rate)
element of its intrastate switched)
access charges by approximately)
\$36.5 million as required by the)
Federal Telecommunications Act)
of 1996.)

Docket No. 970172-TP

Filed: June 5, 1997

AT&T'S PETITION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE

COMES NOW AT&T Communications of the Southern States, Inc. (hereinafter "AT&T") and, pursuant to Rule 25-22.039, Florida Administrative Code, files this Petition for Leave to Intervene with the Florida Public Service Commission (hereinafter the "Commission") in the above-referenced docket. AT&T respectfully requests that the Commission grant this petition, designating AT&T a party of record and affording it all applicable rights under Florida law and the rules and regulations of this Commission. In support thereof, AT&T respectfully shows as follows:

1. Petitioner's full name and principal place of business is:

AT&T Communications of the
Southern States, Inc.
1200 Peachtree Street, N.E.
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2. AT&T's representative, to whom all pleadings, orders, notice, and other correspondence with respect to this docket should be addressed is:

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3. AT&T is a telecommunications company that has been duly certificated by the Commission as an alternative local exchange telecommunications company ("ALEC") and an interexchange company ("IXC") in Florida. As such, AT&T is subject to the rules, regulations, and orders of the Commission, and such rules, regulations, and orders impact AT&T's ability to provide local exchange telecommunications service and intrastate interexchange telecommunications service.

4. The Commission has opened this docket to address a petition by MCI Telecommunications Corporation (MCI) asking the Commission to require BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (BellSouth) to remove its deregulated payphone investment and associated expenses from its intrastate operations and reduce its Carrier Common Line switched access rate element by \$36.5 million as required by the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

5. AT&T's substantial interests will be affected by the action which the Commission takes in this docket regarding the determination of the amount of any subsidy associated with BellSouth's payphone operations as well the rates that will be reduced to remove any such subsidy. proposed plans for relief because any alteration in the

6. The disputed issues of material fact include, but are not limited to the calculation of any subsidy as well as the rates to be reduced to remove any subsidy from BellSouth's existing rates.

WHEREFORE, AT&T, requests that it be permitted to intervene in this proceeding and that it be accorded full party status.


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SOUTHERN STATES, INC.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

DOCKET NO. 970172-TL

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true copy of the foregoing has been furnished by U. S. Mail or hand-delivery to the following parties of record this 5th day of June, 1997:

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