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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Proposed Rule 25-24.845,) DOCKET NO.: 970882-TI
F.A.C., Customer Relations;)
Rules Incorporated, and proposed)
Amendments to Rules 25-4.003,)
F.A.C., Definitions; 25-4.110,)
F.A.C., Customer Billing; 25-4.118,)
F.A.C., Interexchange Carrier)
Selection; 25-4.490, F.A.C.,) FILED: September 26, 1997
Customer Relations; Rules)
Incorporated.)

**BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.'S
MOTION TO MODIFY PROCEDURAL DATES**

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., ("BellSouth" or "Company"), pursuant to Rule 25-22.037, Florida Administrative Code, hereby requests its Motion to Modify Procedural Dates in this docket. In support thereof, BellSouth states the following:

1. The Commission issued its Order Establishing Procedure (Order No. PSC-97-1071-PCO-TI) On September 12, 1997, in the above captioned docket. The Order calls for public hearings in ten Florida cities, the filing of testimony, and a formal hearing before the Commission.

2. The Order calls for filing of direct testimony by utilities on October 13, 1997, with intervenor testimony due approximately one month later, and Staff testimony due on November 24, 1997. BellSouth is an intervenor in this docket, but can also be characterized as a "utility". The last public hearing is scheduled to be held in

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Jacksonville on November 20, 1997. The hearing in this matter is scheduled for February 6, 1998.

3. In light of the fact that the public hearings will not be complete until November 20, 1997, and the hearing is not scheduled until February 6, 1998, BellSouth requests that the Prehearing Officer modify certain procedural dates. First, BellSouth requests that all intervenors (no matter whether a utility or not) be allowed to file direct testimony on November 24, 1997 in order to allow parties to complete the public hearings prior to filing direct testimony. Second, BellSouth requests that Staff file testimony approximately three weeks later. Third, BellSouth requests that all rebuttal testimony be filed on January 5, 1998, along with the Prehearing Statements.

4. BellSouth's proposed schedule would allow parties to have the benefit of the public hearings when drafting their direct testimony and to allow the parties to have the benefit of the Staff's testimony in order to draft rebuttal testimony. The modifications proposed by BellSouth would not delay the proceedings in this docket and would not prejudice any party.

WHEREFORE, BellSouth requests the Prehearing Officer to modify the procedure in the above captioned matter in the manner requested.

Respectfully submitted this 26th day of September, 1997.

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