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Ms. Blanca Bavó Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 971399-TP - In re: Petition of BellSouth Telecommunications. Inc. to Lift Marketing Restrictions Imposed By Order No. PSC-96-1569-FOF-TP

Dear Ms. Bayó:

Enclosed are the original and 15 copies of the Florida Competitive Carriers Association's Petition to Intervene in the above docket.

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FCCA'S PETITION TO INTERVENE

The Florida Competitive Carriers Association ("FCCA"), through its undersigned attorneys, petitions for leave to intervene in the above docket, and in support states:

Petitioner's complete name and address are:

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STATEMENT OF HOW SUBSTANTIAL INTERESTS WOULD BE AFFECTED

- 3. On May 24, 1996, FCCA (then the Florida Interexchange Carriers Association), AT&T Communications of the Southern States ("AT&T") and MCI Telecommunications Corporation ("MCI"), filed a Joint Complaint against BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. The gravamen of the complaint was that BellSouth was developing business office practices designed to unfairly exploit BellSouth's role as dominant local exchange service provider by using that role to lever BellSouth's interests in the intraLATA market, in conflict with Order No. PSC-95-0203-FOF-TP and in violation of Section 364.01(4)(g), Florida Statutes. The Joint Complainants asked the Commission to, inter alia, prohibit BellSouth from utilizing its role as provider of local exchange service and as the gateway to long distance service as opportunities to (1) cross-market local and intraLATA services and (2) actively dissuade customers who contact BellSouth for the purpose of changing intraLATA carriers.
- 4. Following an evidentiary hearing, the Commission issued Order No. PSC-96-1569-FOF-TP. Subsequently, the Commission denied BellSouth's Motion for Reconsideration and affirmed its decision in Order No. PSC-97-0518-FOF-TP. No party appealed these orders.
- 5. In Order Nos. PSC-96-1569-FOF-TP and PSC-97-0518-FOF-TP, the Commission adjudicated certain allegations of the Joint Complaint by prohibiting BellSouth from attempting to change the minds of BellSouth customers who have been won by the marketing efforts of BellSouth's intraLATA competitors and who

contact BellSouth for the explicit purpose of changing intraLATA carriers. The Commission also prohibited BellSouth from marketing its intraLATA service to customers who call regarding any aspect of local exchange service unless the customer first introduces the subject of intraLATA service. The Commission imposed these restrictions on BellSouth for a period of 18 months.

6. In its petition that initiated this docket, BellSouth asks the Commission to lift the restrictions prior to the expiration of the prescribed 18 month period.

Inasmuch as the restrictions were imposed to provide FCCA with relief from unfair and anticompetitive behavior, and were intended to provide FCCA's members with an opportunity to develop a presence in the intraLATA market sufficient to cope with the advantages enjoyed by BellSouth as a consequence of the many contacts with customers generated by its LEC role, removing those restrictions prematurely would affect FCCA's substantial interests by altering the outcome of its litigated complaint proceeding, by truncating the remedy afforded to FCCA and the other complainants, and by exposing FCCA's members to renewed unfair and anticompetitive practices.

STATEMENT OF KNOWN DISPUTED FACTS

7. FCCA's position is that BellSouth's petition is an improper attempt to file a second, impermissible and unauthorized Motion for Reconsideration that should be summarily rejected. (See Joint Motion to Dismiss, which is being filed this date.) In the event that the Commission does not dismiss the petition, FCCA disputes that any factual (or legal) basis exists to support rescinding any aspect of

Order Nos. PSC-96-1569-FOF-TP and PSC-97-0518-FOF-TP prior to the expiration of the period prescribed by the Commission in those orders. Specifically, FCCA disputes the assertion that the restrictions are no longer needed to achieve the Commission's objectives. FCCA further disputes the assertion that BellSouth is being unfairly disadvantaged by the provisions of Order Nos. PSC-96-1569-FOF-TP and PSC-97-0518-FOF-TP. If the Commission entertains BellSouth's petition, FCCA reserves the right to advocate restrictions longer than those imposed by the Commission in Order No. PSC-96-1569-FOF-TP.

 In the event the Commission denies FCCA's Motion to Dismiss and proceeds to consider BellSouth's petition, FCCA requests the Commission to conduct an evidentiary hearing pursuant to Section 120.57, Florida Statutes.

WHEREFORE, FCCA requests the Commission to authorize FCCA to intervene as a full party.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of FCCA'S Petition to intervene has been furnished by United States mail or hand delivery(*) this 10th day of November, 1997, to the following:

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