Legal Department

NANCY B. WHITE Assistant General Councel-Florida

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. 150 South Monroe Street Room 400 Tallahassee, Florida 32301 (305)347-5558

January 14, 1998

Mrs. Blanca S. Bayo
Director, Division of Records and Reporting
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

RE: Dockston Transport (Tariff filing by GTE)

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed is an original and fifteen copies of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s Withdrawal of Petition for Leave to Intervene, which we ask that you file in the captioned docket.

A copy of this letter is enclosed. Please mark it to indicate that the original was filed and return the copy to me. Copies have been served on the parties shown on the attached Certificate of Service.

ACK		
AFA		
APP		
CAE		#.1
CMULLY9	Enclosures	
CTR		
EAG	cc: All Parties of	CEST MERCHANISM CONTRACTOR CONTRACTOR
LEG	A. M. Lombs	ALCOHOLD VALUE OF THE PARTY OF
LIN 2	R. G. Beatty W. J. Ellenb	
OPC		
RCH		
SEC _		
WAS		
OTH		
	THE PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN TWO IS NOT THE OWNER.	MARKET SETTEMBER STORY

Nancy B. White (%)

DOCUMENT NUMBER-DATE
OFF-COMJAN 14 8
FF 3C-REGORDS/REPORTING

ORIGINAL

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Proposed tariff filing) Docket No.: 970990-TL by GTE Florida Incorporated to) transfer a portion of the) Sarasota exchange into the Bradenton exchange.) Filed: January 14, 1998

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.'S NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF PETITION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"), hereby files its Notice of Withdrawal of Petition for Leave to Intervene, and states the following:

 On December 2, 1997, BellSouth filed a Petition for Leave to Intervene in this docket. BellSouth hereby withdraws the above-referenced Petition for Leave to Intervene.

Respectfully submitted this 14th day of January, 1998.

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

ROBERT G. BEATTY
NANCY B. WHITE
c/o Nancy Sims
150 South Monroe Street, #400
Tallahassee, Florida 32301
(305)347-5555

WILLIAM J. ELLENBERG II J. PHILLIP CARVER 675 West Peachtree Street, #4300 Atlanta, Georgia 30375 (404)335-0711

PPSC-RECORDS/REPORTING

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE Docket No. 970990-TL

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served via

U.S. Mail this 14th day of January, 1998 to the following:

Legal Counsel Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Ms. Beverly Y. Menard c/o Mr. Ken N. Waters GTE Florida Incorporated 106 East College Avenue **Suite 1440** Tallahassee, FL 32301-7704 Tel. No. (813) 483-2526 Fax. No. (813) 223-4888

Sarasota Equine Association Johnnie Copeland 8325 Whiskey Pond Lane Sarasota, FL 34240 Tel. No. (813) 355-7759