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Mrs. Blanca S. Bayo, Director
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Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 980048-TL - Request for Review of
Proposed Numbering Plan Relief for 813 Area Code

Dear Mrs. Bayo:

On February 24, 1998, the Commission held a hearing in the above docket. During the course of the hearing, Mr. Bobby Smith, AT&T's witness, indicated his belief that an AT&T representative had attended an industry meeting to discuss a relief plan for the 305 area code. Upon questioning, however, he agreed subject to check that no representative had attended the meeting. (Hearing transcript, page 349.)

Since the hearing, Mr. Brown has had the opportunity to check AT&T's attendance at the meeting. As shown by the attached Minutes of the industry meeting in question, as well as the list of attendees attached thereto, AT&T did have a representative at the meeting.

The issue of AT&T's attendance at a meeting affecting the 305 area code is not relevant to the Commission's decision in this case, so I do not believe it is necessary to move to supplement the record. By copy of this letter, I am asking parties to this docket to avoid references to this line of questioning in their briefs.

Sincerely,

Attachment
copies: parties of record

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FPSC RECORDS/REPORTING

July 15, 1997

TO: 305 NPA Central Office Code Holders and Other Industry Members
FROM: Stan Washer, NPA Code Administrator
SUBJECT: Minutes of 305 NPA Relief Industry Meeting

On Monday June 30, 1997, representatives of the telecommunications industry serving South Florida met to discuss relief of the 305 NPA, which, according to the 1997 Central Office Code Utilization Survey (COCUS), Attachment A, could exhaust as early as September, 1998. Attachment B lists the industry representatives invited to the meeting and Attachment C lists the meeting attendees.

INTRODUCTIONS

Larry Whipple, Manager - BellSouth Infrastructure Planning, opened the meeting by welcoming the attendees and asking that they introduce themselves. After introductions, Larry presented the agenda for the meeting. Topics included a presentation on Industry Guidelines, code forecasting, relief alternatives, open discussion, and consensus building process.

INDUSTRY GUIDELINES AND COCUS

Stan Washer, NPA Code Administrator, discussed the status of the North American Numbering Plan Administrator (Lockheed Martin has been recommended), Code Relief Planning Guidelines, 1997 Central Office Code Utilization Survey (COCUS), provided the industry accepted definition of "consensus", and stated the meeting objectives, which were to (1) reach industry consensus on a relief plan, and (2) set relief dates.

RELIEF OPTIONS

Terry Ball, BellSouth Planner for South Florida, gave a presentation on the current status of the 305 NPA. Based on current projections, the 305 area code is expected to exhaust as early as September, 1998. At the time of the 305/954 split in September 1995, the 305 code was expected to last about five years. Terry then presented various NPA relief proposals including several illustrative split options (See examples in Attachment D), and an overlay relief option. Although the split options indicated various combinations of exchanges and different subsequent exhaust dates, they all had two things in common. They all required approximately half of the existing subscribers to change the area code portion of their telephone number. And, they all split the metro Miami local calling area, which, as a result, would require ten digit local dialing between the 305 area code and the

new code. With the overlay option, ten digit local dialing would also be required between, as well as within, area codes, however, no customers would be required to change their telephone numbers. There were no additional relief options presented by the industry.

CONSENSUS BUILDING AND INDUSTRY RECOMMENDATION

The attendees then began discussing the pros and cons of the relief options. Since most of the "pros" were related to the overlay relief option, and most of the "cons" concerned the split options, Stan Washer began bringing the group to a consensus agreement. The resulting consensus agreement was to deploy an overlay area code to provide relief for the exhausting 305 NPA. The AT&T Long Distance and AT&T Wireless representatives wished to go on record as favoring a split alternative. They said that they did not have any preference as to which type of split, only that they preferred a split versus an overlay. They stated that their company's position was to support NPA splits until long term number portability was fully implemented.

DATES

After discussing the FCC overlay criteria and the uncertainties associated with the code forecast, the industry agreed that the new overlay code should become effective on July 1, 1998. Central office codes may begin being assigned in the new overlay code 60 days prior to this date. It was recommended that a permissive dialing period of at least six months be established, during which end users would be encouraged to dial ten digits on all local calls. Therefore, ten digit permissive dialing of local calls will begin on January 1, 1998, and mandatory ten digit dialing of local calls will begin with the effective date of the new overlay area code on July 1, 1998.

MEDIA RELEASE

Stan Washer then requested the industry to refrain from public discussion of the relief proposal until a recommendation had been forwarded to the Florida Commission. The BellSouth Regulatory and External Affairs staff agreed to share, upon request, any media pieces with the industry. When asked what the new area code would be, Stan indicated that a code had been reserved for this relief effort, but, he couldn't recall what it was. The recommendation to the Commission will contain the new code. The meeting was then adjourned.

- Attachments: A - 1997 COCUS
 B - Industry Members Invited to 305 NPA Relief Meeting
 C - Meeting Attendees
 D - Examples of Possible Split Relief Options

ATTACHMENT C

**305 NPA Relief Industry Meeting
June 30, 1997
Miami, Florida**

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Rey Luis	AT&T Wireless	305-775-0015	305-592-5036
Ron Burleson	BellSouth Cellular	404-249-0455	404-249-0453
Susan Israel	BellSouth Cellular	404-249-0478	404-249-0453
Mario Jardon	BellSouth Mobility	561-995-3583	561-995-3567
Miles Simons	BellSouth Mobility	561-477-4411	561-477-4411
Terry Ball	BellSouth Telecom.	954-492-1773	
Don Baeza	BellSouth Telecom.	954-492-3875	954-492-1752
Judy Childers	BellSouth Telecom.	305-347-5414	305-577-3027
George I'raze	BellSouth Telecom.	850-224-5139	850-227-8260
Wayne Gray	BellSouth Telecom.	770-391-4366	
Charles M. Lewis	BellSouth Telecom.	404-529-0936	404-523-7871
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Larry Whipple	BellSouth Telecom.	305-622-3263	305-622-3292
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Carl Salpietra	NFXTEL	407-948-2142	407-667-1240
Stan Washer	NPA Code Administrator	205-977-2668	205-977-7877
Doug LaPlante	PageNet	954-922-9644	954-922-9118
Bill Wiginton	PageNet	972-985-5162	972-985-6519
Paul Goodell	Priority Comm.	561-750-8899	561-391-4705
Thomas C. Foley	Sprint	407-830-2749	407-830-3675
Steve Valenzi	Sprint PCS	954-423-5250	954-423-5267