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Re: Docket No. 980696-TP

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed is an original and fifteen copies of Frontier Communications of the South, Inc.'s Petition for Leave to Intervene, which we ask that you file in the captioned matter.

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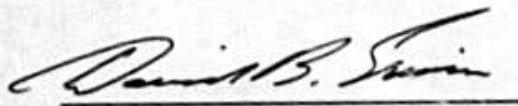
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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Determination of the Cost of Basic)
Local Telecommunications Service, pursuant)
to Section 364.025, Florida Statutes)

) Docket No.: 980696-TP
Dated: July 6, 1998

**FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS OF THE SOUTH, INC.'S
PETITION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE**

Frontier Communications of the South, Inc., ("Frontier" or "Company"), pursuant to Rule 25-22.039, Florida Administrative Code, hereby requests leave to intervene in these proceedings, and as grounds therefor states:

1. Frontier is a telephone company lawfully doing business in the State of Florida whose regulated operations are subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission pursuant to Chapter 364, Florida Statutes.

2. Frontier's principal office for the conduct of business in Florida is 201 S. Pensacola Avenue, Atmore, Alabama 36502. Pleadings and process in this matter may be served upon:


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3. Any decision made by the Commission in the context of this proceeding will necessarily affect the substantial interests of Frontier and its business operations in the State of Florida.

WHEREFORE, Frontier respectfully requests that the Commission grant the Company leave to intervene for all legal purposes in this docket.

Respectfully submitted this 6th day of July, 1998.



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