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September 16, 1998

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Ms. Blanca Bayo, Director Division of Records and Reporting Room 110, Easley Building Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 981011-TL

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above captioned docket are an original and fifteen copies of e.spire Communications, Inc.'s Petition to Intervene.

Please acknowledge receipt of these documents by stamping the extra copy of this letter "filed" and returning the same to me.

Thank you for your assistance with this filing.

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In re: BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s Petition for temporary waiver of physical collocation requirement set forth in the 1996 Telecommunications Act and the FCC's First Report and Order, for the for the West Palm Beach Gardens Central Office

Docket No. 981011-TL Filed: September 16, 1998

PETITION TO INTERVENE

American Communications Services, Inc. - Jacksonville, Inc., d/b/a e.spireTM

Communications, Inc. ("e.spire"), through its undersigned counsel, hereby files this Petition to

Intervene in this docket and as grounds would show:

1. The name and address of petitioner is:

e.spire[™] Communications, Inc. 133 National Business Parkway, Suite 200 Annapolis Junction, Maryland 20701 Tel: 301-361-4298 Fax: 301-361-4277

2. Copies of notices, pleadings and documents in this proceeding should be provided

to:

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3. e.spire is a certificated alternative local exchange carrier in Florida.

4. e.spire has requested physical collocation with BellSouth at several central offices and its substantial interests will be affected by the ruling on this petition.

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WHEREFORE, e.spire respectfully requests that the Commission grant the request to intervene.

Respectfully submitted

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of e.spire Communications, Inc.'s Petition to Intervene in Docket No. 981011-TL has been furnished by Hand Delivery (*) and/or U.S. Mail to the following parties of record this 16th day of September, 1998:

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