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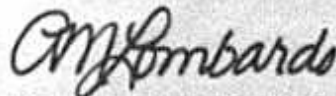
Re: Docket 981469-TP Approval of an Amendment to the Resale Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") and Vast-Tel pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Dear Mrs. Bayo:

Pursuant to section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, BellSouth and Vast-Tel are submitting to the Florida Public Service Commission their amendment to their negotiated agreement for the purchase of BellSouth's telecommunications services for the purpose of resale to end users by Vast-Tel.

Pursuant to section 252(e) of the Act, the Commission is charged with approving or rejecting the amendment to the negotiated agreement between BellSouth and Vast-Tel within 90 days of its submission. The Act provides that the Commission may only reject such an agreement if it finds that the agreement or any portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or the implementation of the agreement or any portion of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity. Both parties aver that neither of these reasons exist as to the agreement they have negotiated and therefore, are very hopeful that the Commission shall approve their amendment.

Very truly yours,



Regulatory Vice President

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