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

RE: Docket No. 982015-TL

Petition by University of Florida for Waiver of Rule 25-24.640, Florida Administrative Code

Dear Mrs. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above referenced docket on behalf of AT&T of the Southern States, Inc.'s (AT&T) are the original and fifteen copies of AT&T's Petition to Intervene in the above referenced proceeding.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please do not hesitate to call me at (850) 425-6364.

Copies of the foregoing are being served on all parties or record in accordance with the attached Certificate of Service. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition by the University of)	
Florida, for an on behalf of the Board of)	
Regents for the State of Florida, for)	Docket No. 982015-TL
variance or waiver of Rule 25-24.640,)	
FAC, which currently prohibits the)	Filed: March 22, 1999
University from blocking access to)	
10XXX service by student residents of)	
its dormitories.)	
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AT&T'S PETITION TO INTERVENE

COMES NOW AT&T Communications of the Southern States, Inc. (hereinafter "AT&T") and, pursuant to Rule 25-22.039, Florida Administrative Code, files this Petition to Intervene with the Florida Public Service Commission (hereinafter the "Commission") in the above-referenced docket. AT&T respectfully requests that the Commission grant this petition, designating AT&T as a party of record and affording it all applicable rights under Florida law and the rules and regulations of this Commission. In support thereof, AT&T respectfully shows as follows:

1. Petitioner's full name and principal place of business are:

AT&T Communications of the Southern States, Inc. 1200 Peachtree Street, N.E. Atlanta, Georgia 30309

2. All pleadings, orders, notices and other correspondence with respect to this docket should be addressed to:

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- 3. AT&T is a telecommunications company that has been duly certificated by the Commission as an alternative local exchange telecommunications company ("ALEC") and an interexchange company ("IXC") in Florida. As such, AT&T is subject to the rules, regulations and orders of the Commission, and such rules, regulations and orders impact AT&T's ability to provide local exchange telecommunications service and intrastate interexchange telecommunications service.
- 4. On December 30, 1998, the University of Florida ("University") filed its petition for a variance or waiver of Rule 25-24.640, F.A.C., which prohibits the University from blocking access to 10XXX service by student residents of its dormitories. The University made the decision to block access to 10XXX calls by student residents as a result of an accumulation of \$75,000 in uncollected long distance charges. The University asserts that the issuance of a waiver or variance of Rule 25-24.640, F.A.C., authorizing it to continue to block 10XXX access to student residents would be in the public interest.
- 5. As an authorized provider of telecommunications service, AT&T's substantial interests will be affected by any action which the Commission takes in this docket that would serve to limit or inhibit the ability of individuals residing in University of Florida provided housing to access AT&T for completion of the student resident's long distance calls.

6. The disputed issues of material fact include, but are not limited to, the basis for blocking of 10XXX calls currently, the magnitude of alleged fraudulent calling activity and whether blocking 10XXX calls is the only means of avoiding the alleged fraudulent calling activity.

WHEREFORE, AT&T requests that it be permitted to intervene in this proceeding and that it be accorded full party status.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE DOCKET NO. 982015-TL

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished by U. S. Mail or hand delivery to the following parties of record this 22N day of March, 1999:

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