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JULY 6, 1999

RE: DOCKET NO. 971627-TL - Petition by residents of Ft. White requesting extended area service between Ft. White exchange in Columbia County and Gainesville exchange in Alachua County.

Issue 1: Based on the results of the survey, should the Commission order the implementation of nonoptional, two-way, flat rate EAS between the Ft. White and Gainesville exchanges?

Recommendation: Yes. The survey results, which are summarized in Table A of staff's June 24, 1999 memorandum, met the requirements of Rule 25-4.063(6), Florida Administrative Code. ALLTEL and BellSouth should, therefore, be ordered to implement nonoptional, two-way, flat rate EAS between the Ft. White and Gainesville exchanges at the rates stated in Table B of staff's memorandum. Since the survey demonstrated that a sufficient community of interest exists on the requested route to implement EAS, BellSouth should be ordered to apply to the FCC for a waiver to modify the LATA boundary in order to provide EAS on the Ft. White/Gainesville route.

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COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: DS JC

COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES

MAJORITY

DISSENTING

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Staff further recommends that EAS should be implemented on the Ft. White/Gainesville route as soon as possible, pending the FCC's approval of BellSouth's petition for a waiver of the LATA boundary. Implementation should occur thereafter on a date agreeable to ALLTEL and BellSouth, but no later than twelve months from the date of the FCC's approval of the waiver.

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Issue 2: Should Docket No. 971627-TL be closed?

Recommendation: Yes. If the recommendation in Issue 1 is approved, this docket should be closed. Staff should place the matter on monitor status to ensure that ALLTEL and BellSouth make the necessary tariff revisions to comply with the implementation date.

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