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September 9, 1999

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

Re: Approval of an Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") and Gainesville Regional Utilities, d/b/a GRU pursuant to Sections 251, 252 and 271 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Dear Mrs. Bayo:

Pursuant to section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, BellSouth and Gainesville Regional Utilities, d/b/a GRU are submitting to the Florida Public Service Commission an amendment to their negotiated agreement for the interconnection of their networks, the unbundling of specific network elements offered by BellSouth and the resale of BellSouth's telecommunications services to Gainesville Regional Utilities, d/b/a GRU. The Commission approved the initial agreement between the companies in Order No. PSC-98-0987-FOF-TP issued July 20, 1998 in Docket 980473-TP.

Pursuant to section 252(e) of the Act, the Commission is charged with approving or rejecting the negotiated agreement between BellSouth and Gainesville Regional Utilities, d/b/a GRU 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 agreement.

Very truly yours,

*Marshall M. Criser, III*

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**ATTACHMENT TO TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

The Amendment entered into by and between Gainesville Regional Utilities, d/b/a GRU Communication Service/GRUCom/GRU and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., dated July 28, 1999 for the state of Florida consists of the following:

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**Amendment To Master Interconnection Agreement Between  
Gainesville Regional Utilities, d/b/a GRU Communication Service/GRUCom/GRU  
and  
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.**

Pursuant to this Agreement (the "Amendment"), Gainesville Regional Utilities, d/b/a GRU Communication Service/GRUCom/GRU ("GRUCom") and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties" hereby agree to amend that certain Interconnection Agreement between the Parties dated March 20, 1998 ("Interconnection Agreement").

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual provisions contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, GRUCom and BellSouth hereby covenant and agree as follows:

1. Effective July 28 1999, the retail charges for Cross Connects for DS1 and DS3 services are as provided in Exhibit 1, incorporated herein by this reference.
2. The Parties further agree that either or both of the Parties is authorized to submit this Amendment to the Florida Public Service Commission or other regulatory body having jurisdiction over subject matter of this Amendment, for approval subject to Section 252(e) of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.
3. The Parties further agree that all other provisions of the Agreement, dated March 20, 1998, shall remain in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Amendment, to be executed by their respective duly authorized representatives on the date indicated below.

**Gainesville Regional Utilities,  
d/b/a GRU Communication Service/  
GRUCom/GRU**

**BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.**

By: 

By: 

Name: Ed REGAN

Name: Jerry Hendrix

Title: Strategic Planning Dir

Title: Senior Director

Date: 7/23/99

Date: 7/28/99

**DUPLICATE ORIGINAL**

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**EXHIBIT I**

**GRUCom- Case Number FL99-6185-00**

**Service Description:** Cross Connects for DS1 and DS3 Services

**Scope of Work:** This Special Service Arrangement provides a cross connect for DS1 and/or DS3 services which provides connectivity from a Company provided service to a Subscriber provided service. This Arrangement is on a month to month basis with a minimum service period of one (1) month.

This rate is valid through November 13, 1999.

Rate Elements	Non-Recurring	Recurring	USOC
<b>FLORIDA</b>			
1. Service Establishment Fee	\$259.00	\$0.00	WGGVP
2. Cross Connect Per DS1 -Dedicated Access, First	\$155.00	\$7.50	WGG9M
3. Cross Connect Per DS1 -Dedicated Access, Additional	\$14.00	\$7.50	WGG9N
4. Cross Connect Per DS3 -Dedicated Access, First	\$151.90	\$56.25	WOOT5
5. Cross Connect Per DS3 -Dedicated Access, Additional	\$11.83	\$56.25	WOOT6

**NOTES:**

These Special Service Arrangement cross connect rate elements are used to provision Private Line service in collocation arrangements. Virtual arrangements must be purchased from the F.C.C. NO. 1 Tariff.

This Special Service Arrangement must be converted to tariff service upon approval of a tariff in this state.