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**DATE:** JANUARY 4, 2001

**TO:** DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (BAYÓ)

**FROM:** DIVISION OF COMPETITIVE SERVICES (LOGUE) *W*  
DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES (ELLIOTT) *JAE r.f.k.*

**RE:** DOCKET NO. 001373-TP - REQUEST BY BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO RESALE AGREEMENT WITH GTE COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION (N/K/A VERIZON SELECT SERVICES INC.)

**AGENDA:** 01/16/01 - REGULAR AGENDA - INTERESTED PERSONS MAY PARTICIPATE

**CRITICAL DATES:** NONE

**SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:** NONE

**FILE NAME AND LOCATION:** S:\PSC\CMP\WP\001373.RCM

### CASE BACKGROUND

The chronology of events in this docket is as follows:

- 9/11/00** BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (BellSouth)'s request for approval of amendment to existing resale agreement with GTE Communications is filed with the Commission.
- 11/07/00** Agreement is approved at the Agenda Conference.
- 11/09/00** Corrected cover letter reflecting correct approval order and docket number for amendment and corrected "attachment to transmittal letter" showing correct company name. Docket title corrected by RAR to indicate company name is GTE Communications

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Corporation (n/k/a Verizon Select Services Inc.).

- 11/28/00** Staff Attorney spoke with Dave Christian of Verizon Select Services Inc. (Verizon) regarding changes to the amendment and he requested the parties be given time to review the amendment and consider their options.
- 11/28/00** Memo is filed to the Commissioners stating that the Order due November 27, 2000 implementing the Commission's vote will not be issued and approval of the amendment to the agreement will be scheduled for the January 2, 2001 Agenda Conference to give the parties time to review the amendment.
- 12/08/00** BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and Verizon file a joint memorandum with the Commission withdrawing the agreement.

#### **DISCUSSION OF ISSUES**

**ISSUE 1:** Should the Commission acknowledge BellSouth and Verizon's request for withdrawal of Request by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. For Approval of Amendment to Resale Agreement with GTE Communications Corporation (n/k/a Verizon Select Services Inc.) and close this docket?

**RECOMMENDATION:** Yes. The Commission should acknowledge BellSouth and Verizon's joint request for withdrawal of Request by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. For Approval of Amendment to Resale Agreement with GTE Communications(n/k/a Verizon Select Services Inc. and close this docket. **(LOGUE, ELLIOTT)**

**STAFF ANALYSIS:** As stated in the Case Background, BellSouth and Verizon both requested withdrawal of the original filing. The Commission approved the agreement at the November 7, 2000 Agenda Conference. However, the request to withdraw was filed prior to the issuance of an order. Both Companies have stated the reason for the withdrawal is that the agreement is not consistent with

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their business interests at this time. Thus staff recommends acknowledging the withdrawal in lieu of issuing an order approving an order approving the agreement between BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and GTE Communications Corporation (n/k/a Verizon Select Services Inc.). No other matters remain for the Commission to address; therefore, staff recommends that this docket be closed.