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June 13, 2001

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Re: Docket No. 001797-TP (Covad Arbitration)

Dear Ms. Bayó:

Enclosed is an original and fifteen copies of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s Request for Specified Confidential Classification for responses to Covad's Second Request for Production Nos. 34, 35, 36 and 37, which we ask that you file in the captioned docket.

A copy of this letter is enclosed. Please mark it to indicate that the original was filed and return the copy to me. Copies have been served to the parties shown on the attached Certificate of Service.

Sincerely,

James Meza III (KM)

cc: All Parties of Record Marshall M. Criser III R. Douglas Lackey Nancy B. White

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### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE Docket No. 001797-TP

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served via

Federal Express this 13th day of June, 2001 to the following:

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#### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Petition for Interconnection Arbitration	)	Docket No. 001797-TF
By DIECA Communications, Inc. d/b/a	)	
Covad Communications Company Against	)	
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.	)	
	)	Filed: June 13, 2001

# BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.'S REQUEST FOR SPECIFIED CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth" or "Company"), hereby files, pursuant to Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, its Request For Confidential Classification, and states the following:

- 1. On May 8, 2001, Covad Communications Company ("Covad") served its Second Set of Interrogatories and First Request for Production on BellSouth. On May 18, 2001, BellSouth filed its Objections to that discovery and on May 23, 2001, BellSouth served its Responses and Objections to that discovery along with a Notice of Intent to Request Confidential Classification.
- 2. Pursuant to Rule 25-22.06(3)(a), BellSouth is now filing a Request for Confidential Classification for the subject information because the information contained in some of the Responses to Covad's Second Request for Production, specifically Nos. 34, 35, 36 and 37 include, among other things, vendor-specific pricing information and confidential business information. Additionally, this information is valuable and BellSouth strives to keep it secret. Pursuant to Section 364.183, Florida Statutes, such information is classified as proprietary confidential business information. A more specific description of this information

is contained in Attachment A. Accordingly, it should be held exempt from the public disclosure requirements of Section 119.07, Florida Statutes.

- 3. BellSouth has treated and intends to continue to treat the information for which confidential classification is sought as private, and this information has not been generally disclosed.
- 4. Appended hereto as Attachment B is two copies of the requested documents with the confidential information deleted.
- 5. Appended hereto as Attachment C is a sealed envelope containing one copy of the documents including the material which is confidential and proprietary.

WHEREFORE, based on the foregoing, BellSouth moves the Commission to enter an order declaring the information described above to be confidential, proprietary business information that is not subject to public disclosure.

Respectfully submitted this 13th day of June, 2001.

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

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#### **ATTACHMENT A**

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REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION OF BELLSOUTH'S RESPONSE TO COVAD'S SECOND REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS (POD NOS. 34, 35, 36 and 37) FILED May 23, 2001 IN FLORIDA DOCKET NO. 001797-TP

#### **Explanation of Proprietary Information**

- This information reflects vendor specific information/pricing negotiated by BellSouth. Public
  disclosure of this information would impair BellSouth's ability to contract for goods and/or services on
  favorable terms. Pursuant to Section 364.183, Florida Statues such information is classified as
  proprietary, confidential business information which is exempt from the Open Records Act.
- 2. The information requested contains practices/procedures utilized by BellSouth to conduct business. This information, if released, would allow BellSouth's competitors to have free access to certain intellectual property which was developed at significant expense to BellSouth. BellSouth's competitors can use this information to develop their own strategies without the burden and expense of developing this property for themselves. Thus, the disclosure of this information to BellSouth's competitors would impair BellSouth's ability to compete and the information is entitled to confidential classification pursuant to Section 364.183, Florida Statutes. In addition, this information, which BellSouth keeps as trade secrets, is valuable because it is used by BellSouth in conducting its business. Therefore, this information should be classified as proprietary, confidential business information exempt from the Open Records Act.

# **ATTACHMENT A**

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