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July 18, 2001

#### VIA HAND DELIVERY

Blanca S. Bayo, Director Division of Records and Reporting **Betty Easley Conference Center** 4075 Esplanade Way Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870

Re: Docket No.: 960786-TL

Dear Ms. Bayo:

On behalf of NuVox, enclosed for filing and distribution are the original and 15 copies of the following:

Petition to Intervene of NuVox.

Please acknowledge receipt of the above on the extra copy of each and return the stamped copies to me. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Consideration of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s entry into interLATA services pursuant to Section 271 of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. Docket No. 960786-TL

Filed: July 18, 2001

## PETITION TO INTERVENE OF NUVOX COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

NuVox Communications, Inc. (NuVox) pursuant to Rule 28-106.205, Florida Administrative

Code, files this Petition to Intervene and as grounds therefor states:

1. The name and address of Petitioner is:

NuVox Communications, Inc. 301 North Main Street Suite 5000 Greenville, SC 29601-2171

2. Copies of all pleadings, notices, and orders in this Docket should be provided to:

Vicki Gordon Kaufman McWhirter, Reeves, McGlothlin, Davidson, Decker, Kaufman, Arnold & Steen, P.A. 117 South Gadsden Street Tallahassee, Florida 32301 (850) 222-2525 (telephone) (850) 222-5606 (fax) <u>vkaufman@mac-law.com</u>

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3. NuVox is a competitive provider in Florida certificated to provide competitive local exchange service. As a Florida ALEC, NuVox has a substantial interest in ensuring that before BellSouth is granted 271 relief, it has fully opened its local markets to competition as required by the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

4. Disputed issues of fact include those set out in Order No. PSC-01-1025-PCO-TL.

5. Ultimate facts alleged include, but are not limited to, the fact that this Commission has a duty to evaluate BellSouth's 271 application in light of the applicable statutes and regulations. Competitive carriers' input as to whether or not BellSouth has opened its market to local competition will be useful to the Commission and help develop the record in this matter.

WHEREFORE, NuVox requests that its Petition to Intervene be granted and that it be accorded full party status in this docket.

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing the Petition to Intervene of NuVox has been furnished by (\*) hand delivery or by U. S. Mail on this <u>18th</u> day of July, 2001, to the following:

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