

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Investigation into
pricing of unbundled network
elements (BellSouth track).

DOCKET NO. 990649A-TP
DATED: JANUARY 3, 2002

STAFF'S PREHEARING STATEMENT

Pursuant to Order No. PSC-01-2132-PCO-TP, the Staff of the Florida Public Service Commission files its Prehearing Statement.

a. All Known Witnesses

None.

b. All Known Exhibits

None.

c. Staff's Statement of Basic Position

Staff's positions are preliminary and based on materials filed by the parties and on discovery. The preliminary positions are offered to assist the parties in preparing for the hearing. Staff's final positions will be based upon all the evidence in the record and may differ from the preliminary positions stated herein.

d. Staff's Position on the Issues

ISSUE 1: a) Are the loop cost studies submitted in BellSouth's 120-day filing compliant with Order No. PSC-01-1181-FOF-TP?

b) Should BellSouth's loop rate or rate structure, previously approved in Order No. PSC-01-2051-FOF-TP, be modified? If so, to what extent, if any, should the rates or rate structure be modified?

STAFF: Staff has no position at this time.

ISSUE 2: a) Are the ADUF and ODUF cost studies submitted in BellSouth's 120-day compliance filing appropriate?

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b) Should BellSouth's ADUF and ODUF rates or rate structure, previously approved in Order No. PSC-01-2051-FOF-TP, be modified? If so, to what extent, if any, should the rates or rate structure be modified?

STAFF: Staff has no position at this time.

ISSUE 3: a) Is the UCL-ND loop cost study submitted in BellSouth's 120-day filing compliant with Order No. PSC-01-1181-FOF-TP?

b) What modifications, if any, are appropriate, and what should the rates be?

STAFF: Staff has no position at this time.

ISSUE 4: a) What revisions, if any, should be made to NIDs in both the BSTLM and the stand-alone NID cost study?

b) To what extent, if any, should the rates or rate structure be modified?

STAFF: Staff has no position at this time.

ISSUE 5: a) What is a "hybrid copper/fiber xDSL-capable loop" offering, and is it technically feasible for BellSouth to provide it?

b) Is BellSouth's cost study contained in the 120-day compliance filing for the "hybrid copper/fiber xDSL-capable loop offering appropriate?

c) What should the rate structure and rates be?

STAFF: Staff has no position at this time.

ISSUE 6: In the 120-day filing, has BellSouth accounted for the impact of inflation consistent with Order No. PSC-01-2051-FOF-TP?

STAFF: Staff has no position at this time.

ISSUE 7: Apart from Issues 1-6, is BellSouth's 120-day filing consistent with the Orders in this docket?

STAFF: Staff has no position at this time.

e. Pending Motions

None.

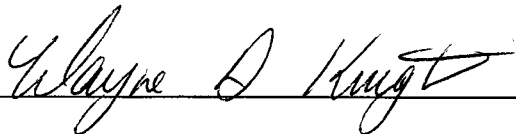
f. Pending Confidentiality Claims or Requests

None.

g. Compliance with Order No. PSC-01-2132-PCO-TP.

Staff has complied with all requirements of the Order Establishing Procedure entered in this docket.

Respectfully submitted this 3rd day of January, 2001.



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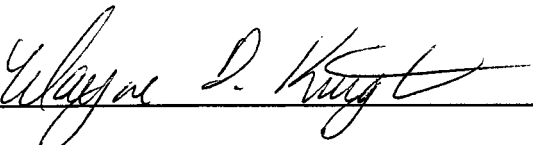
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