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Ms. Blanca Bayo Director, Division of the Commission Clerk And Administrative Services Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399

RE: Docket No. 021070-TL Request for Waiver of Answering Time Rule

Dear Ms. Bayo:

On October 22, 2002, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. filed a request for a waiver of Commission Rule 25-4.073(1)(d), F.A.C. This request was made due to the high call volume that BellSouth was experiencing in our business office because of the uncertainty surrounding the provision of service to Supra. BellSouth has experienced higher than normal call volumes during the month of September, but due to the bankruptcy court action and due to the fact that we are withdrawing our Emergency Service Continuity Petition (Docket No. 021062-TL), there appears to be no need to pursue this waiver at this time.

Therefore, this letter should serve as BellSouth's withdrawal of our request for a waiver of the answering time rule.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please give me a call.

Yours truly,

Director / Regulatory Relations

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