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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Implementation of requirements arising from Federal Communications Commission's Triennial UNE review: Local Circuit Switching for Mass Market Customers DOCKET NO. 030851-TP

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Z-TEL'S REQUEST FOR ORAL ARGUMENT

Pursuant to Rule 25-22.058, Florida Administrative Code, Z-Tel Communications, Inc., ("Z-Tel"), through its undersigned counsel, requests an opportunity to orally argue its Response to BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s ("BellSouth"), Motion to Strike the prefiled Testimony of Z-Tel's witness, Michael Reith. In support, Z-Tel states:

1. The Commission opened this docket to implement the Federal Communications Commission's Triennial Review Order ("TRO"), as the TRO relates to the availability of unbundled local switching.

2. On December 4, 2003, Z-Tel timely submitted the prefiled direct testimony of Z-Tel employee Michael Reith.

3. On January 5, 2004, BellSouth moved to strike Mr. Reith's testimony in its entirety, based on the assertion it is not relevant to any of the issues identified in this docket.

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4. On this date, Z-Tel is filing its Response in opposition to BellSouth's Motion. In its Response, Z-Tel contends its testimony is relevant and germane to Issues 1, 2(a), 2(b), and 2(c). Z-Tel submits that, in light of the apparent fundamental disagreement between the parties regarding the parameters of this case, oral argument

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will assist the Commission as it evaluates the competing arguments regarding the scope of identified issues and the role of individual carriers' experiences in shaping the record.

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