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Thank you for your attention and cooperation to this request.

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September 5, 2006

Honorable Lisa Polak Edgar Chairman, Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Docket 060598-TL; Petition to Recover 2005 Tropical System Related Costs and Expenses by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.

Dear Chairman Edgar:

The Office of Public Counsel will soon be filing a notice of intervention in Docket 060598-TL, which is the docket opened by the Commission to consider BellSouth's petition to recover 2005 tropical system related costs and expenses. While at this point it appears that BellSouth's filing has complied with the provisions of section 364.051(4), Florida Statutes, concerning tropical storms, we believe that the magnitude of the filing warrants an in-depth review of the information filed by BellSouth. Section 364.051(4) calls for expedited processing of the petition, but we would not be opposed to a request by the Commission to BellSouth to extend the time for the case in order to provide additional time to investigate the information underlying BellSouth's petition.

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Since the increase requested by BellSouth will have a material effect on the price charged by BellSouth for local telephone service, I would like to request that you schedule customer hearings in BellSouth's territory to hear from customers regarding BellSouth's response to the tropical storms and its service.

Sincerely,

s/ Harold McLean Harold McLean Public Counsel

cc: all parties of record