## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Request for extended area service ) DOCKET NO. 900288-TL between Palatka and Green Cove Springs by ) the CLAYCOUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY ) ORDER NO. 24380 COMMISSIONERS ) ISSUED: 4/18/91

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

THOMAS M. BEARD, Chairman J. TERRY DEASON BETTY EASLEY GERALD L. GUNTER MICHAEL MCK. WILSON

## ORDER REQUIRING IMPLEMENTATION OF EXCHANGE TRANSFER

BY THE COMMISSION:

By Order No. 23747, issued November 13, 1990, we announced our intention to require implementation of a transfer of the customers in the Clay County pocket area of the Palatka exchange to the Green Cove Springs exchange, upon terms and conditions specified in the Order. The majority of the Palatka exchange is located in Putnam County; however, a small portion of the exchange lies in Clay County. The Green Cove Springs exchange is located in Clay County. Both exchanges are served by Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company (Southern Bell or the Company) and both are located in the Jacksonville LATA (local access transport area). Our proposed action in Order No. 23747 became final and effective on December 5, 1990, after expiration of the protest period specified in the Order.

Order No. 23747 required Southern Bell to survey the subscribers in the Clay County pocket area of the Palatka exchange for a transfer to the Green Cove Springs exchange. Southern Bell mailed sixteen (16) ballots to all customers of record, to be returned by January 10, 1991.

Thirteen (13) or 81% of the ballots were returned. Eleven (11) subscribers (69%) voted in favor of the transfer, while one (1) subscriber (6%) voted against it. One (1) ballot (6%) was invalid. Three (3) of the ballots (19%) were not returned. In order for the survey to pass, we required a margin of 50% plus one (1) favorable vote (at least nine (9) votes) out of all subscribers surveyed. Therefore, the survey has passed and Southern Bell is hereby directed to take the necessary action to implement the

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provisions of Order No. 23747 as soon as possible, but no later than six (6) months from the date of this Order, in accordance with the terms and conditions specified in Order No. 23747.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company shall implement an exchange transfer pursuant to the terms set forth herein. It is further

ORDERED that this docket is hereby closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this <u>18th</u> day of <u>APRIL</u>, <u>1991</u>.

STEVE TRIBBLE, Director

Division of Records and Reporting

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## NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.59(4), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought. ORDER NO. 24380 DOCKET NO. 900288-TL PAGE 3

Any party adversely affected by the Commission's final action in this matter may request: 1) reconsideration of the decision by filing a motion for reconsideration with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting within fifteen (15) days of the issuance of this order in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code; or 2) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water or sewer utility by filing a notice of appeal with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days after the issuance of this order, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900 (a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.