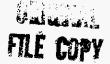
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RE: Docket No. 920260-TL

Dear Mr. Tribble:

Enclosed please find an original and fifteen copies of Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company's Response and Objections to Public Counsel's Tenth Request for Production of Documents which we ask that you file in the above-captioned docket.

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Comprehensive Review of the Revenue Requirements and Rate Stabilization Plan of Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company (Formerly FPSC Docket Number 880069-TL)

Docket No. 920260-TL

Filed: June 22, 1992

SOUTHERN BELL TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY'S RESPONSE AND OBJECTIONS TO PUBLIC COUNSEL'S TENTH REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS AND MOTION FOR A TEMPORARY PROTECTIVE ORDER

COMES NOW BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company ("Southern Bell" or "Company"), and files, (1) pursuant to Rule 25-22.034, Florida Administrative Code, and Rules 1.280(c) and 1.350 of the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure, its Responses and Objections to the Office of Public Counsel's ("Public Counsel") Tenth Request for Production of Documents dated May 21, 1992, and (2) pursuant to Rule 25-22.006(5)(c), Florida Administrative Code, its Motion for Temporary Protective Order.

GENERAL RESPONSE AND OBJECTIONS

1. Southern Bell objects to Public Counsel's definition of "you" and "your" as well as the definition of "Southern Bell". It appears that Public Counsel, through its definition of these words, is attempting to obtain discovery of information in the possession, custody, or control of entities that are not parties to this docket. Requests for Production only be directed to parties, and any attempt by Public Counsel to obtain discovery from non-parties should be prohibited. See Rule 1.340, Florida Rules of Civil Procedure; Broward v. Kerr, 454 So.2d 1068 (4th

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- 2. Southern Bell does not believe it was Public Counsel's intent to require Southern Bell to produce again the same documents previously produced in other dockets, but to the extent it does, Southern Bell objects on the basis that such a request would be unduly burdensome, oppressive and unnecessary, and for these reasons is prohibited.
- 3. Southern Bell objects to Public Counsel's request on the basis that certain classes of documents requested are not relevant to the subject matter of this proceeding. Rule 1.280, Florida Rules of Civil Procedure, state that "parties may obtain discovery regarding any matter, not privileged, that is relevant to the subject matter of the pending action". At this point, the issues which may exist in this docket relate solely to Southern Bell's regulated earnings in Florida. Therefore, any and all data regarding Southern Bell's operations in other states as well as information concerning unregulated services (which, in addition to being irrelevant may also be proprietary) is not relevant to this proceeding and therefore is not the proper subject of discovery. Consequently, where appropriate, Southern Bell will redact such irrelevant material from the documents produced.
- 4. Some of the documents that will be delivered to and reviewed by Public Counsel contain proprietary, confidential business information that should not be publicly disclosed.

 Thus, pursuant to the Commission's Rule on confidentiality, Rule

25-22.006(5)(c), Florida Administrative Code, Southern Bell moves the Prehearing Officer to issue a Temporary Protective Order exempting these documents from § 119.07(1), Florida Statutes. Specifically, these documents include financial and competitive information. Accordingly, under the provisions of § 364.183(f), Florida Statutes, this information is entitled to confidential treatment and exemption from § 119.07, Florida Statutes. If Public Counsel subsequently notifies Southern Bell that any of the proprietary documents are to be used in a proceeding before the Commission, Southern Bell will, in accordance with Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, file a detailed motion for protective order specifically addressing each of the documents identified.

- 5. Southern Bell objects to the specific time and place designated by Public Counsel for the production of documents for the reasons that the designation is not reasonable, but has no objection to producing the documents that are responsive and to which no other objection is made, at a mutually agreed upon time and place.
- 6. Southern Bell objects to the instruction, set forth in the Definitions Section of the request, as to information that is to be provided for any document not in the possession of Southern Bell. This request for an extensive narrative as to the "disposition" of these documents is not properly encompassed with a Request for Production, and is, further, unreasonable and burdensome.

RESPONSES

- 7. Subject to the general objections, each of which is incorporated by reference into the specific responses made herein, Southern Bell responds to the individual numbered requests contained in Public Counsel's Tenth Request for Production of Documents as follows:
- Α. In response to Request No. 100, Southern Bell directs Public Counsel to Southern Bell's responses to Public Counsel's Fifth Production of Documents, Item No. 75 and Public Counsel's Eighth Production of Documents, Item No. 89. The results for May, 1992 are not yet available.
- In response to Request No. 101, Southern Bell will В. produce, at a mutually convenient time and place, the responsive materials it has in its possession, custody or control, subject to the Motion for Temporary Protective Order contained herein.

Respectfully submitted this 22nd day of June, 1992.

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