BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Request for approval of tariff filing to delete all Enhanced Optional Extended Area Service (EOEAS) options for Ponte Vedra except the Premium Option in St. Augustine to Jacksonville, Jacksonville Beach, Julington, and Ponte Vedra Beach by BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. d/b/a SOUTHERN BELL TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY.) DOCKET NO. 930191-TL) ORDER NO. PSC-93-0447-FOF-TL) ISSUED: 03/24/93

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

J. TERRY DEASON, Chairman THOMAS M. BEARD SUSAN F. CLARK JULIA L. JOHNSON LUIS J. LAUREDO

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

BY THE COMMISSION:

In Docket No. 910763-TL, by Order No. PSC-92-0014-FOF-TL, we ordered BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company (Southern Bell or the Company) to implement the \$.25 plan between Ponte Vedra and St. Augustine. This route was implemented on September 12, 1992, as ordered. The existing Enhanced Optional Extended Area Service (EOEAS) plan for Ponte Vedra from St. Augustine to Jacksonville, Jacksonville Beach, Julington, and Ponte Vedra was not addressed in Docket No. 910763-TL.

Historically, when a \$.25 plan is ordered on a route with an existing optional toll relief plan, the plan is discontinued when the \$.25 plan is implemented unless it is the EOEAS Plan. If the route has EOEAS, all options (except the Premium Option) are deleted since the options are rated based on a discount of the toll rates and, under the \$.25 plan, the route is local. In addition, the majority of the customers are better off (pay less) under the \$.25 plan than they are under the EOEAS options unless the customer makes a large number of calls. The Premium Option has been retained for those residential customers who do make a large number of calls. For these customers, if the Premium Option was deleted,

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they could be worse off (pay more) under the \$.25 plan. Based on this criteria, we have traditionally opted to retain the flat rate EOEAS option for residential customers.

On November 6, 1992, Southern Bell filed its tariff to eliminate all options for Ponte Vedra (except for the Premium Option) associated with EOEAS on the St. Augustine to Jacksonville, Jacksonville Beach, Julington, and Ponte Vedra route. We find Southern Bell's proposed tariff filing to be appropriate and shall approve it to become effective on March 22, 1993. This is consistent with our previous decisions involving all other EOEAS routes where the \$.25 plan was ordered implemented.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the tariff (T-92-637) filed by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company on November 6, 1992, is hereby approved as set forth in the body of this Order. It is further

ORDERED that if a timely protest is filed pursuant to the requirements set forth below, any increased revenues resulting from this filing shall be held subject to refund. It is further

ORDERED that if no protest is received within the time frame set forth below, this docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 24th day of March, 1993.

STRVE 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.

The Commission's decision on this tariff is interim in nature and will become final, unless a person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed files a petition for a formal proceeding, as provided by Rule 25-22.036(4), Florida Administrative Code, in the form provided by Rule 25-22.036(7)(a)(d) and (e), Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting at his office at 101 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870, by the close of business on <u>April 14, 1993</u>.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become final on the day subsequent to the above date.

Any objection or protest filed in this docket before the issuance date of this Order is considered abandoned unless it satisfies the foregoing conditions and is renewed within the specified protest period.

If this Order becomes final on the date described above, any party adversely affected may request judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or by the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water or wastewater 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 of the date this Order becomes final, 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.