BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Request for approval of tariff filing to provide Answer Supervision to Non-LEC Pay Telephone Providers by BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. d/b/a SOUTHERN BELL TELEPHONE & TELEGRAPH COMPANY (T-94-103)

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

J. TERRY DEASON, Chairman SUSAN F. CLARK JULIA L. JOHNSON DIANE K. KIESLING LUIS J. LAUREDO

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF FILING TO INTRODUCE ANSWER SUPERVISION TO PAY TELEPHONE PROVIDERS

BY THE COMMISSION:

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company (Southern Bell or Company) filed proposed tariff revisions on February 23, 1994. Southern Bell proposes to introduce Answer Supervision to private pay telephone service companies.

Answer Supervision is one of several "unbundled functionalities" required by Order No. PSC-93-0289-FOF-TL in Docket No. 920255-TL, a Commission investigation into the competitiveness of pay telephone service in Florida. The Commission ordered the local exchange companies (LECs) to file a list of pay telephone functions that could be unbundled and sold separately.

Answer Supervision is a feature that will provide an electrical signal when the party goes off-hook (answers) for calls that originate from non-LEC pay telephones (NPATS). This feature will help NPATS accurately determine when billing for a specific call should commence.

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Southern Bell will initially offer Answer Supervision only from its DMS-100 switches. The capability has recently become available for 5ESS office, but is significantly more expensive than for DMS-100 offices. Southern Bell states that it will install this feature in its 5ESS offices if necessitated by future demand.

Southern Bell currently offers Answer Supervision to hotels and Motels (Docket No. 930077-TL, T-92-739). The Company proposes to offer it to NPATS providers under the same rates, terms and conditions. The company did not file a cost study for this filing. However, the costs supplied with its hotel/motel Answer Supervision tariff state an incremental cost of \$0.73. Its rate for Answer Supervision is currently \$2.33.

Upon, consideration we believe Southern Bell's proposal to introduce Answer Supervision to NPATS providers is appropriate. It complies with Order No. PSC-93-0289-FOF-TL, and appears to offer a service beneficial to NPATS providers.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the proposed tariff filed by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company (Southern Bell or Company) to introduce Answer Supervision to private pay telephone service companies is approved, with an effective date of April 24, 1994. It is further

ORDERED that, unless a person whose interests are substantially affected by the tariff approved herein files a petition in the form and by the date specified in the Notice of Further Proceedings or Judicial Review, this Order shall become final and this docket shall be closed on the following date. It is further

ORDERED that, if a protest is filed on or before the date set forth in the Notice of Further Proceedings or Judicial Review, this tariff shall remain in effect, with any increase held subject to refund pending the resolution of the protest.

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By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 26th day of April, 1994.

Blanca S. Bayo, 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 provided by Rule 25-22.036(4), proceeding, as provided Rule Code, in the form by Administrative 25-22.036(7)(a)(d) and (e), Florida Administrative Code. 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 May 17, 1994.

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.

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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.