

VOTE SHEET

SEPTEMBER 22, 1998

RE: DOCKET NO. 971399-TP - Petition of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. to lift marketing restrictions imposed by Order No. PSC-96-1569-FOF-TP.

Issue 1: Should the Commission grant BellSouth relief from the requirements of Section III of Order No. PSC-96-1659-FOF-TP, issued December 23, 1996 in Dockets Nos. 930330-TP and 960658-TP?

Recommendation: Yes. BellSouth should be granted relief from the requirements of Section III, item 1, of Order No. PSC-96-1659-FOF-TP, issued December 23, 1996 in Dockets Nos. 930330-TP and 960658-TP, as specified in Issue 1A. This relief becomes effective when BellSouth files the six-month report (as described in the analysis portion of staff's September 10, 1998 memorandum) with this Commission on February 1, 1999.

**MODIFIED**

The Commissioners initially approved the issue, on a 3-2 vote. Then, on their own motion, the Commissioners voted to reconsider their decision. They subsequently approved the issue, with the relief to become effective on issuance of the order, on a 3-2 vote.

COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: Full Commission

COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES

MAJORITY

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REMARKS/DISSENTING COMMENTS:

*Commissioners Deason and Jacobs dissented.*

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Issue 1A: What relief, if any, is appropriate?

Recommendation: Section III, item 1 of the current marketing restrictions should be amended to read as follows:

..., due to the newly competitive environment you have an option of selecting a carrier for your local toll calls (calls made within a local calling zone to nearby communities) in addition to us.

BellSouth should also be allowed to educate new customers who select BellSouth for their intraLATA toll service or who introduce the subject during the initial customer contact. Staff also recommends that BellSouth should be required to rewrite its customer mailer to actually educate the customer on how to dial-around and not reference it in a footnote.

**APPROVED**

Issue 2: Should this docket be closed?

Recommendation: No. This docket should remain open pending the filing of BellSouth's six-month report on February 1, 1999.

**APPROVED**