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DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (BAYÓ) MB

FROM:

DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES (BEDELL)

DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS (DURBIN)

DIVISION OF COMMUNICATIONS (BIEGALSKI)

RE:

DOCKET NO. 971492-TI INITIATION OF SHOW PROCEEDINGS AGAINST AT&T COMMUNICATIONS OF THE SOUTHERN STATES, INC. AND D/B/A CONNECT 'N SAVE FOR VIOLATION OF RULE 25-4.118, FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, INTEREXCHANGE

CARRIER SELECTION.

AGENDA: 10/06/98 -REGULAR AGENDA -INTERESTED PERSONS MAY

PARTICIPATE

CRITICAL DATES: NONE

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: NONE

FILE NAME AND LOCATION:

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CASE BACKGROUND

On January 1, 1984, the Commission granted AT&T Communications of the Southern States, Inc. and d/b/a Connect 'N (AT&T) Certificate Number 69 to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications service. As a provider of interexchange telecommunications service in Florida, subject to the rules and regulations of this Commission.

The Division of Communications staff has investigated numerous unauthorized carrier change (slamming) complaints received by the Division of Consumer Affairs regarding AT&T. Staff has also

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received and reviewed additional information on the complaints provided by AT&T, local exchange companies and several complainants. We believe there is more than adequate justification to count 183 slamming complaints against AT&T as apparent rule violations that occurred between January 1, 1997, and May 18, 1998. There are additional complaints related to slamming against AT&T that are either pending response from the company or closure in the Division of Consumer Affairs.

In addition to staff's investigation into these specific slamming complaints, Docket No. 971433-TI was opened to investigate a complaint against AT&T filed by the Office of the Attorney General and the Office of Public Counsel on behalf of Robert Flint for slamming. In Order No. PSC-98-0072-PCO-TI, Docket No. 971433-TI was consolidated with this docket.

In 1996, show cause proceedings were initiated against AT&T for apparent slamming violations. On November 20, 1996, in Order No. PSC-96-1405-AS-TI, the Commission approved a \$30,000 settlement offer in Docket No. 960626-TI. In this docket, a review of the complaints revealed that the five major causes of the unauthorized switches were: improper procedures at the AT&T Customer Service Centers, unexplained errors, problems with direct marketing tactics, name and number mismatches, and telemarketing.

Based on the number of complaints received from January 1, 1997, through May 18, 1998, regarding apparent unauthorized carrier changes by AT&T, and the additional information received when speaking with customers, it appears the majority of justified complaints in this case relate to customer initiated calls into the AT&T Customer Service Centers, telemarketing, and direct marketing. These are the same problems that existed in the 1996 show cause docket. Therefore, it appears the safeguards implemented by AT&T in settlement of the previous show cause docket were not sufficient to protect subscribers from slamming.

Staff notes that additional consumer safeguards adopted by the Commission in its slamming rule proceeding, DN 970882-TP, have been delayed by the industry's challenge to the rules. It appears to staff that AT&T believes it is more cost efficient for the company to issue rate adjustments and apologies in response to complaints than to investigate the cause of and cure many of its slams. In a number of cases, AT&T's response to complaints has been that they are unable to locate or retrieve documentation required by the current rules. Therefore, staff is concerned that AT&T's current level of apparent violations will continue, absent additional action by the Commission to increase AT&T's economic incentive to investigate how its slams occur and to fix those problems.

At AT&T's request, this item was deferred from the July 21, 1998 Agenda Conference in order to engage in continued settlement

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negotiations. Staff has met with AT&T on two occasions, but to date, settlement negotiations have been unsuccessful. Therefore, staff believes the following recommendations are appropriate.

DISCUSSION OF ISSUES

ISSUE 1: Should the Commission order AT&T to show cause why it should not have Certificate Number 69 canceled or be fined for apparent violation of Rule 25-4.118, Florida Administrative Code, Interexchange Carrier Selection?

RECOMMENDATION: Yes. The Commission should order AT&T to show cause in writing within 20 days of the effective date of the order why it should not have Certificate Number 69 canceled or be fined \$30,000 per apparent violation for a total of \$5,490,000. The fine is for apparent violation of Rule 25-4.118, Florida Administrative Code. Any collected fine monies should be forwarded to the Office of the Comptroller for deposit in the state General Revenue Fund pursuant to Section 364.285(1), Florida Statutes. (Biegalski)

STAFF ANALYSIS: The Division of Consumer Affairs publishes a monthly consumer activity report which tracks the level of activity for the month in various categories, including slamming. Each certificated telecommunications company is provided a copy of this report. Based upon the number of slamming complaints contained in this report, it was determined an investigation into AT&T's slamming complaints was necessary.

The Division of Communications staff reviewed the numerous complaints received in the Division of Consumer Affairs regarding AT&T's alleged slamming infractions. Staff requested additional information from AT&T and the local exchange companies, and staff held many conversations with the consumers who filed the complaints. Staff has identified complaints from consumers regarding unauthorized carrier changes due to forged LOAs and inbound customer service calls from consumers, where the customer did not request a PIC change.

In many of the responses submitted by AT&T, the company was unable to locate a copy of the LOA or obtain any information related to the inbound call. Therefore, it appears that AT&T has not taken the appropriate steps to maintain adequate records in compliance with the rules of the Florida Public Service Commission.

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Rule 25-4.118(2), Florida Administrative Code, states in pertinent part,

A LEC shall also accept PIC change requests from a certificated interexchange company (IXC) acting on behalf of the customer. A certified IXC that will be billing in its name may submit a PIC change request, other than a customer-initiated PIC change, directly or through another IXC, to a LEC only if it has certified to the LEC that at least one of the following actions has occurred prior to the PIC change request:

(a) the IXC has on hand a ballot or letter from the customer requesting such change;

In addition, when staff reviewed the information contained in the previous slamming show cause, it became apparent that the problems had not been corrected. Thus, based on the numerous consumer slamming complaints regarding AT&T that continue to be received by the Division of Consumer Affairs, it appears that the procedures implemented by AT&T as resolution to the previous show cause docket were not adequate to protect the consumers of Florida from being slammed.

Examples of complaints received from consumers include the following:

On September 5, 1997, Mrs. Irma Rosen contacted staff and stated that her long distance service was switched without authorization. AT&T's report stated that the company received an LOA signed by Mr. Paul Rosen on August 26, 1997. The company considered it to be valid and forwarded it for processing. Mr. Rosen informed staff that not only was his signature forged, but the city and zip code listed on the LOA were incorrect as well. (Attachment A, Pages 8-20)

On September 11, 1997, Mr. Ben Fine contacted staff and stated that his intralata service was switched without authorization. AT&T's report stated that the company received an LOA signed by Mr. Fine on July 28, 1997. The company considered it to be valid and forwarded it for processing. Mr. Fine informed staff during a telephone conversation on May 27, 1998, that not only was the signature on the LOA a forgery, but the form also was marked for AT&T long distance and local toll service. Mr. Fine was already an AT&T long distance customer. (Attachment B, Pages 21-27)

On April 28, 1997, Mr. Bill Carthen contacted staff and stated that his long distance service was switched without authorization. AT&T's report stated that the company received written authorization, but was unable to produce a copy of the LOA.

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Rule 25-4.118(3)(d), Florida Administrative Code, states:

Ballots or letters will be maintained by the IXC for a period of one year.

Due to the fact that AT&T is unable to produce a copy of the authorization obtained, it appears that it is in violation of this rule. (Attachment C, Pages 28-32)

On January 16, 1997, Mr. Fred Thomas contacted staff and stated that his long distance service was switched without authorization. AT&T's report stated that the service was switched based on an inbound call placed to the Customer Service center. AT&T further states that "had the representative followed procedure, there would have been notations to the extent that we could provide you with the name of the caller and some details of the actual exchange that took place."

Rule 25-4.118(3)(c), Florida Administrative Code, states:

If a PIC change request results from either a customer initiated call or a request verified by an independent third party, the information set forth in (3)(a)1.--3. above shall be obtained from the customer.

Since AT&T did not obtain the customer's name, address and telephone number and a statement from the person calling that they are authorized to make a change in service, it appears that AT&T is in violation of this rule. (Attachment D, Pages 33-35)

On January 12, 1998, Mr. Michael Modjoros contacted staff and stated that his long distance service was switched without authorization. AT&T's report stated that the company received an LOA signed by Mr. Majors, considered it to be valid, and submitted it for processing. Upon contacting the customer on July 1, 1998, Mr. Modjoros informed staff that his name is listed in the telephone book as Mike Majors, but his account with the local exchange company is in the name of Michael Modjoros. Therefore, the LOA appears to be a forgery. (Attachment E, Pages 36-40)

On October 14, 1997, Mrs. Ella Warren submitted correspondence to staff regarding the unauthorized switch of her long distance service. AT&T states in its response that it relied upon a written LOA signed by Mr. James Warren, considered it valid and submitted it for processing. Mrs. Warren notified staff that Mr. Warren died on March 3, 1991. (Attachment F, Pages 41-51)

On March 3, 1997, Mr. Ben Nemser, owner of Nemal Electronics, contacted staff and stated that his company's long distance service had been changed without authorization. AT&T's response stated "in looking at your Letter of Agency, clearly these two lines were not

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listed on the line numbers you were authorizing. We were in error to pic the lines to AT&T." (Attachment G, Pages 52-59)

AT&T has not satisfied staff that it has complied with the Commission's rules. Accordingly, by Section 364.285, Florida Statutes, the Commission is authorized to impose upon any entity subject to its jurisdiction a penalty of not more than \$25,000 for each day a violation continues, or cancel its certificate, if such entity is found to have refused to comply with or to have willfully violated any lawful rule or order of the Commission, or any provision of chapter 364. Utilities are charged with knowledge of the Commission's rules and statutes. Additionally, "[i]t is a common maxim, familiar to all minds, that 'ignorance of the law' will not excuse any person, either civilly or criminally." Barlow v. United States, 32 U.S. 404, 411 (1833).

Staff believes that AT&T's apparent conduct in switching PICs without customer authorization has been "willful" in the sense intended by Section 364.285, Florida Statutes. In Order No. 24306, issued April 1, 1991, in Docket No. 890216-TL titled In re: Investigation Into The Proper Application of Rule 25-14.003, Florida Administrative Code, Relating To Tax Savings Refund for 1988 and 1989 For GTE Florida, Inc., having found that the company had not intended to violate the rule, the Commission nevertheless found it appropriate to order it to show cause why it should not be fined, stating that "In our view, willful implies intent to do an act, and this is distinct from intent to violate a rule." Thus, any intentional act, such as AT&T's conduct at issue here, would meet the standard for a "willful violation."

Further, it is a well-established legal principle in Florida that when an agent acts for his principal, and the principal accepts the fruits of the agent's efforts, the principal must be deemed to have adopted the methods employed, and he may not, even though innocent, receive the benefits and at the same time disclaim responsibility for the means by which they were acquired. Fraioliv. Bobby Byrd Real Estate, Inc., 630 So. 2d 1131 (Fla.2d DCA 1993).

Based on the 183 apparent unauthorized carrier change infractions, staff believes that AT&T does not have adequate safeguards to protect consumers from unauthorized carrier changes. Accordingly, staff believes that there is sufficient cause to order AT&T to show cause in writing within 20 days of the effective date of the order why it should not be fined \$30,000 per apparent infraction for a total of \$5,490,000 or have its certificate canceled for its apparent violations of Rule 25-4.118, Florida Administrative Code.

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ISSUE 2: Should this docket be closed?

RECOMMENDATION: If staff's recommendation in Issue 1 is approved, then AT&T will have 21 days from the issuance of the Commission's show cause order to respond in writing why it should not be fined in the amount proposed or have its certificate canceled. If AT&T timely responds to the show cause order, this docket should remain open pending resolution of the show cause proceeding. If AT&T does not respond to the Commission's Order to Show Cause, the fines should be assessed. Staff recommends that if AT&T fails to respond to the Order to Show Cause, and the fines are not received within five business days after the expiration of the show cause response period, AT&T's certificate should be canceled and this docket closed administratively. (Bedell)

STAFF ANALYSIS: If staff's recommendation in Issue 1 is approved, then AT&T will have 21 days from the issuance of the Commission's show cause order to respond in writing why it should not be fined in the amount proposed or have its certificate canceled. If AT&T timely responds to the show cause order, this docket should remain open pending resolution of the show cause proceeding. If AT&T does not respond to the Commission's Order to Show Cause, the fines should be assessed. Staff recommends that if AT&T fails to respond to the Order to Show Cause, and the fines are not received within five business days after the expiration of the show cause response period, AT&T's certificate should be canceled and this docket closed administratively.

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Public Service Commission

November 17, 1997

Mr. & Mrs. Paul Rosen 9685 Arbor View Drive, North Boynton Beach, FL 33437

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Rosen:

This is a follow-up to your complaint regarding a change in long distance service by AT&T Communications.

An investigation reveals that your long distance service was switched as a result of a signed service agreement form, however, I understand your concern that the signature on the form did not resemble your signature. Due to the unauthorized change, AT&T has rerated the calls, and credits have been issued for \$10.30 for free-minutes credit plus an adjustment of \$1.91. Also, an order was issued to remove your name from AT&T's telemarketing list, which should take up to 60 days for completion.

The Florida Public Service Commission (PSC) shares your concern about unauthorized carrier change, that is why the PSC is developing new rules to address changes in the way the industry operates to curb unauthorized carrier changes or "slamming," about which the PSC receives more complaints than any other issue.

Customers often tell us that changes in their telephone service were not authorized; therefore, the PSC is reviewing its rules to ensure that each change is adequately validated by the company claiming a subscriber. The PSC wants to make sure that consumers have an opportunity to tell us about the problems they have encountered with companies wanting to change their preferred local or long distance service provider. The PSC has scheduled ten rule development workshops in various locations throughout Florida. At the workshop the Commissioners will listen to consumers' testimony regarding their slamming experiences, and provide consumers with information on how to guard against this unauthorized practice. The PSC staff, after considering all public testimony and evidence regarding slamming experiences, and a formal hearing scheduled for February 6, 1998, will prepare a recommendation to the Commissioners. The final slamming rules will be determined by the Commissioners' decision at a future Agenda Conference to be held in Tallahassee.

I have enclosed some information regarding the hearings and locations, along with information on how to access the live internet audio broadcast on the PSC's Home Page site.

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ROBERT A. BUTTERWORTH
Autorney General
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October 29, 1997

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Mr. Paul Rosen 9685 Arbor View Drive Boynton Beach, FL 33437

Dear Mr. Rosen:

The Attorney General has reviewed your correspondence regarding the unauthorized switch of your long distance company, commonly known as slamming. The Attorney General and Office of Public Counsel have filed a joint petition with the Florida Public Service Commission requesting a full investigation and public hearing for the purpose of establishing more stringent regulations and tougher penalties to eliminate the practice of slamming. We are maintaining your complaint in our file and have forwarded a copy to the Office of the Public Counsel and the Consumer Affairs Division of the Public Service Commission.

Please contact me if you have any further comments or questions.

Sincerely,

Paula Wood

Administrative Assistant

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cc: Public Service Commission
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October 22, 1997

VIA FAXIMILE

Robert A. Butterworth

RE: "Slamming Inquiry"

Dear Sir.

Prior to being slammed by AT&T on July 26, 1997, my long distance carrier was Worldcom and my local service was BellSouth. AT&T slammed both of these accounts.

When I called to complain, they were very arrogant and claimed that they had my signature authorizing the switch to AT&T. I asked for a copy of this signature and waited five weeks before it was received by me. The authorization document was fraudulent as the signature did not resemble my signature in any way, manner or shape. In fact, the document appeared to have been filled out by an illiterate person as the city in which I live was misspelled, and the zip code was incorrect.

I notified AT&T of this and asked what disciplinary action they would take to punish the culprit who perpetrated this fraud. Although they knew exactly who it was, they stated that no action would be taken against him. As far as I am concerned, that tells me that they are condoming this type of fraud, and they do not care if the culprit does it again.

After a great deal of time and effort, I finally switched my services back to my original carriers and have put a "block" on my service so that it does not happen again. By the way, while I was fighting with AT&T, they noticed that somebody tried to "siam" my services for a second time.

Should you require any back-up documents to my story, I have retained everything, including a copy of the fraudulent change of service request.

Sincerely,

Paul Rosen

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P.O. Box 830 Sernardaville, NJ 07924

September 18, 1997

Paul Rosen 9685 Arbor View Dr. Boyton, FL 33435

Dear Mr. Rosen:

This letter is in response to your recent complaint that your telephone service was changed to AT&T without your permission.

We apologize for any inconvenience you may have experienced. We have investigated your concern and have determined the following. The order which changed your service to AT&T Long Distance and Local Toll was generated as a result of our receipt of the enclosed AT&T Service Agreement Form. After the form was completed, it was forwarded to our processing center. When the form was processed, the representative entering the order assumed by the information provided that the change to AT&T was authorized and the order was entered.

Thank you for the opportunity to scree you. If you have any questions, please contact me, in writing, at the above address.

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October 7, 1997

Ms. Shirley Stokes
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RE: Rosen, Paul 1855701

Dear Ms. Stokes:

AT&T is still investigating the above-referenced complaint. We have not received the information from other company contacts necessary to conclude our investigation. Please allow another extension of the date due until October 22, 1997. As soon as we receive the results of our investigation, we will forward them to your office.

As stated in our letter dated September 22, 1997, an AT&T representative contacted Mr. Paul Rosen and apologized for the inconvenience of the switch. Mr. Rosen confirmed that his service has been returned to his preferred long distance and regional toll carrier. The AT&T representative advised the customer that the AT&T charges on his bill would be re-rated to \$.10 per minute for inter lata calls and \$.25 each for intra lata call; with the free minutes credit of \$10.30. The adjustment amounted to \$1.91, leaving a balance due AT&T at \$6.77.

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If you have any questions, please call me on (404) 810-4136.

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September 22, 1997

Ms. Shirley Stokes
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

RE:

Rosen, Paul

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Dear Ms. Stokes:

AT&T has received and is still in the process of investigating the above-referenced complaint. We have not received the information from other company contacts necessary to conclude our investigation. Please allow an extension of the date due until October 7, 1997. As soon as we receive the results of our investigation, we will forward them to your office.

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Sincerely,

E. B. Way

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October 6, 1997

Mr. Sam Gonzalez
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

RE: Fine, Ben 186212I

Dear Mr. Gonzalez:

AT&T has received and is investigating the slamming portion of the above referenced complaint. We have not received the information from other company contacts necessary to conclude our investigation. As soon as we receive the results of our investigation, we will forward it to your office. Please allow an extension of the date due until October 21, 1997.

An AT&T representative contacted Mr. Ben Fine and extended an apology for any inconvenience experienced due to the switch of service. The AT&T representative explained that the customer will be receiving a letter stating how the switch of service occurred and confirmed that the customer's intra lata service is back with his preferred carrier, advising the customer of the availability of a PIC restriction. On September 24, 1997, the customer received a full adjustment for the intra lata calls on the September 1997 bill in the amount of \$3.15. Mr. Fine accepted and is satisfied with the resolution of this complaint.

If you have any questions, please call me on (404) 810-4136.

Sincerely,

E. B. Way

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October 28, 1997

Mr. Sam Gonzalez
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

RE: Fine, Ben 186212I

Dear Mr. Gonzalez:

AT&T has concluded its investigation into the above referenced complaint. The attached letter and LOA was mailed to Mr. Fine on October 28, 1997 regarding the switching of his service.

If you have any questions, please call me on (404) 810-4136.

Sincerely,

E. B. Way

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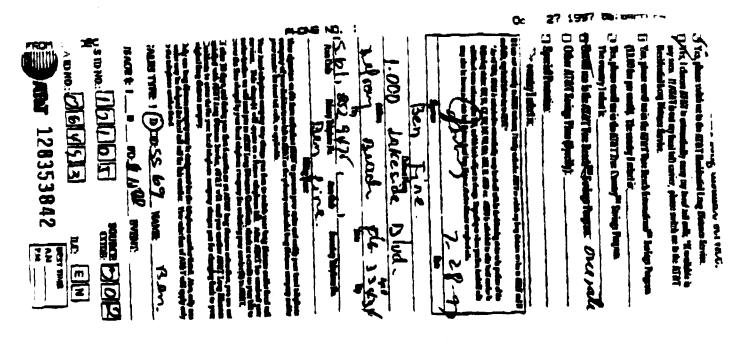
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May 13, 1997

Ms. Carmen Pena Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

RE:

Carthen, Bill

1701311

Dear Ms. Pena:

Attached please find a letter sent to the above referenced customer regarding being switched to AT&T.

The matter has been investigated and \$20.00 credit has been issued to his account. In addition, the customer has been given an AT&T Long Distance Certificate to cover any additional switching fees.

If I can be of further assistance or if you have any questions, please call me on (404) 810-4136.

Sincerely.

E. Á. Way

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Customer Relations Cemer 4 Essex Avenue Bernardsville, NJ 07924

May 6, 1997

Bill Carthen 1276 Apache Drive Geneva, FL 32732

Dear Mr. Carthen:

Please accept our sincere apologies for the delay in responding to your concerns. It was brought to my attention that you were concerned over the possibility of having been switched to AT&T without your authorization.

Upon our initial investigation, as per our record of your account, there was reference to our receipt of written authorization. I made three individual attempts to obtain a hard copy of the authorization as per our records without success. Each time my request was returned "unmatched".

Given this and your account of the situation, there was evidently some mishap. Although we try to insure that all of our customer information is correct, occasionally, there is an error. We regret such may have been the case in this instance.

As a courtesy, we have enclosed AT&T Long Distance Certificate to reimburse you for any fee your local telephone company may have charged you to change long distance carriers and additional certificate for your use. To use your certificate simply print your name, area code and telephone number on the back of each one and send them in along with your regular monthly telephone bill. Your local telephone company will apply the certificates as cash towards any AT&T Long Distance charges or any local telephone company billed charges.

Please accept our sincere spologies for any inconvenience you may have been caused by this occurrence. We thank you for taking the time to contact us. It is from feedback such as yours that we are better able to ensure that we maintain the quality AT&T demands and every customer deserves.

If you have any questions, please contact me, in writing, at the above address.

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Customer Relations Center 4 Fesex Avenue Bornardaville, NJ 07924

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you.

Sincerely,

Grace Miller

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Customer Relations

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Sendy Hinton Staff Associate Law and Government Affairs Room 6051, Promenade i 1200 Peachtree St. Atlanta, GA 30309 (404) 810-4867 (404) 810-7078 - FAX

January 29, 1997

Doug Martin
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0876

RE: Thoms, Fred 1556831

Dear Mr. Martin:

The attached letter was forwarded to Mr. Thoms to explain the results of our investigation. An AT&T billing representative reviewed the account and determine that no charges had posted on the account. The representative contacted Mr. Thoms and apologized for any inconvenience he may have experienced in dealing with AT&T and provided his name and can be reached number if any charges should appear in the future.

Please call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Sandy Hinton

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January 28, 1997

Customer Relations Center 4 Essex Avenue Bernerdsvike, NJ 07924

Fred Thoms 4907 NW 91st Terrace Surrise, FL 33351

Dear Mr. Thoms:

It has been brought to my attention that you were concerned over having your Intralata Service switched to AT&T without your permission.

We have investigated the matter thoroughly and have determined the following. The order we show that changed your residential phone, 954-749-5961, to AT&T was generated as a result of a telephone call placed from your residence telephone number to one of our Customer Service Centers. According to our call summary report, a call was placed from your residence to our center on 1-9-97. The records do not detail the exchange except that the order was placed at that time. Had the representative followed procedure, there would have been notations to the extent that we could provide you with the name of the caller and some details of the actual exchange that took place. Perhaps there was some misunderstanding or mishap at the time of the call.

AT&T has paid the switching fee charge through your local telephone company. Thank you for this opportunity to serve you.

Sincerely,

Cynthia M. Manning Customer Relations

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RE:

Modjoros, Michael

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1200 Peachtree Street, NE Room 6047 Atlanta, GA 30309 (404) 810-4136 (404) 810-7076 (fix.)

January 27, 1998

Mr. Sam Gonzalez
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

RE: Modjoros, Michael

2001911

Dear Mr. Gonzalez:

AT&T has concluded its investigation of the above referenced complaint. Attached is a copy of the letter and other documentation forwarded to Mr. Michael Modjoros to explain how the switching of service occurred.

On January 22, 1998, the customer spoke with a CSA manager at AT&T, who sent a \$5.00 long distance certificate to the customer. On January 23, 1998, an AT&T representative extended an apology to the customer and adjusted \$1.05 from bill dated December 23, 1997 and adjusted \$5.56 from bill dated January 23, 1998 for the balance of the AT&T billed charges. Mr. Modjoros was also forwarded a long distance certificate for reimbursement of any switching fees.

If you have any questions, please call me on (404) \$10-4136.

Sincerely,

E. B. Way

Atts.

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P.O. Box 767 Les's Summit, MO 64063-0767

January 23, 1998

Michael Modjoros 631 Engel Orlando, FL 32807-4831 407-658-9171

Dear Mr. Modjoros,

It has been brought to my attention that you were concerned over having been switched to AT&T without your authorization.

We apologize for any inconvenience you may have experienced. We have investigated your concern thoroughly and have determined the following. The order which changed your long distance service to AT&T generated as a result of our receipt of the enclosed AT&T Service Agreement Form. After the form was completed, it was forwarded to our processing center. Evidently, when the form was processed, the representative entering the order assumed by the information provided that the switch to AT&T was authorized and the order was entered.

It is evident that there was some mishap as the Service Agreement Form shows a different customer name than your own, while the telephone number is exactly the same. At this time, I have credited the AT&T charges on your January 23, 1998 bill date for a total of \$5.56 and \$1.05 for the December 23, 1997 bil. These credits are the charges that resulted from the unauthorized switch to AT&T. The credit will appear on your local portion of the phone bill within one to two bill cycles. AT&T will also be reimbursing the switching fee cost. You will receive this under separate cover within 15 business days.

Please accept our apologies for any inconvenience you may have experienced with AT&T. If you have questions regarding this matter, you can call 1-800-222-7613. If you have questions about AT&T products and services in the future, feel free to contact our Customer Service Department at 1-800-222-0300.

Sincerely,

Karen Hamilton

Executive Appeals Manager

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ATTACHMENT F DOCKET NO. 971492-TI SEPTEMBER 24, 1998

3705 N. 12TH Avenue Pensacola, FL 32503-3103 October 9, 1997

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May 27, 1997

Incmteam
Federal Communications Commission
Common Carrier Bureau
Enforcement Division
Stop Code 1600A2
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Ella M. Warren

IC-97-12894 (Incmteam)

Type: (SLAM)

Notice of Informal Complaint dated April 28, 1997

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Attachment

cc: Ella M. Warren

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Public Service Commission

October 16, 1997

Ms. Ella M. Warren 3705 North 12th Avenue Pensacola, FL 32503-3103

Dear Ms. Warren:

Thank you for your recent letter concerning AT&T Communications of the Southern States.

We will look into the matter you outlined, advise the company to contact you to resolve the problem, and require the company to provide the Florida Public Service Commission with a letter outlining its resolution of the matter.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at 1-800-342-3552.

Sincerely,

Dick Durbin

Regulatory Supervisor/Consultant Division of Consumer Affairs

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FL PUBLIC SERVICE COMM Fax:904-487-0509

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The Country I call most is
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Other AT&T Savings Plans (Specify):
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Address BEN NEMSER, OWNER	Attn. SANDY HINTON 163114	By <u>DBM</u>	
12240 NE 14TH AVENUE	Consumer's Telephone #(305)-892-1507	To <u>CO. Time FAX Date 03/03/1997</u>	
City/Zip NORTH MIAMI 33161 County DADE	Can Be Reached <u>(305) -892 -2599</u>	Type S Form Phone	
Account Number	Note	Category	
Caller's Name Informal Conf. N Qutreach		Infraction LS-13I	
Customer's long distance carrier was change	ed from World Pass to AT&T without	Closed by <u>DBM</u> Date <u>06/16/1997</u>	
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credits are requested to reflect a refund of well as an adjustment of rates to those of	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Please send the customer a copy of your response to this inquiry. 03-18-97- Request for extension until 3-24.		CONSUMER REQUEST	
03-24-97- Report received with explanation	FLORIDA PUBLIC		
06-16-97- File closed.	SERVICE		
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		2540 CHIMADD OAN DONE DIVADD	
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April 21, 1997

Doug Martin Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0876

RE: Nemal Electronics

163114

Dear Mr. Martin:

The attached letter was forwarded to Mr. Beagle at Nemal Electronics to advise of the credits issued to his account and to explain the results of our investigation.

Please call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Sandy Hinton

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Miami, April 2, 1997

Mr. James W. Beagle Nemal Electronics International Inc. 12240 N.E. 14th Avenue Miami, FL 33161

Dear Mr. Beagle,

I received your fax of March 31 and am responding in writing per your request.

I have been working on a resolution of your problems with AT&T since I became involved with your account on Friday, March 7. This was the day that AT&T collections restricted your outgoing long distance calls. As I am sure you recall, I worked on this issue Friday evening and Saturday until I was certain that your service had been restored.

The main issues we discussed at that time were: 1). The need to rerate your long distance calls from your October 1996 billing period through your January 1997 billing period. This would give you an Option S contract price retroactively even though a new contract was not signed until February 1997. 2). The status of a \$1,000 credit promised to you by Mike Singh.

On March 7, I asked our collections department to move your past and current billing to a "disputed" billing category, until I could do further research on your account.

The following week I asked Mr. Dennis Holcomb to rerate your calls and fax you a letter per your request, advising you that your bills were rerated. Your account has now been credited with \$945.61. He faxed you a letter stating this on March 12, 1997. I also found that Mike Singh had previously moved an amount of \$1,000 into the "Disputed" billing category. This was the amount he had estimated the rerating of your calls would total.

On March 20, I received a complaint Mr. Nemser had filed with the Florida Public Service Commission. The complaint was dated March 3. It stated that your long distance carrier was changed from World Pass to AT&T without your authorization. Your company asked for a credit to reflect a refund of switching fees and service charges, as well as an adjustment of rates to World Pass rates. The complaint pertained to 2 lines you had not authorized. In looking at your Letter of Agency, clearly these two lines were not listed on the line numbers you were authorizing. We were in error to pic the lines to

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AT&T. In our conversation of March 31, you provided me with these line numbers and estimated your bill to be approximately \$27 from AT&T for these long distance calls.

On April 1 I visited your office and gave you \$300 in AT&T Long Distance Certificates. These certificates represent the following: 1). To give you credit for ALL AT&T usage and pic change charges on the 2 lines involved in the PSC complaint, not just a rerate of the \$27. 2). To provide the difference between the \$1,000 and the \$945.61 you received from the rerating of your bills. 3). To provide \$200 to you as a gesture of good faith and for the miscommunication between our two companies. You are free to apply these toward your AT&T Long Distance bill. As I answered to your concern yesterday, using these certificates does not mean that you are in agreement with the amount. This equates to your monthly commitment of Long Distance usage with AT&T.

I appreciate your comment yesterday, as well, acknowledging that I have been working very hard on your behalf. I will continue to handle your account directly. I can be reached at 654-4302. In addition my home number is 557-8551 in case of emergency.

Sincerely,

LeAnne Mantero

Account Consultant Manager

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Sandy Hinton Staff Associate Law and Government Affairs Room 6051, Promenade i 1200 Peachtree St. Atlanta, GA 30309 (404) 810-4867 (404) 810-7076 - FAX

March 24, 1997

Doug Martin
Fiorida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0876

RE: Nemai Electronics

163114

Dear Mr. Martin:

Attached is a copy of the Letter of Agency for this customer from the AT&T Account Executive. The lines listed on this LOA do not show the line that has been disputed by Mr. Nemser. It appears than an error occurred on this account and that the 1507 number was transferred to AT&T when the other six (authorized) lines were transferred.

An AT&T Business Account Billing Specialist attempted to reach Mr. Nemser to apologize and to offer re-rates on the account. Mr. Nemser was unavailable and the representative spoke to James Beagle regarding the claim. The representative agreed to contact Mr. Nemser on April 3 regarding any re-rates to the account. Please extend until April 4.

Please call me if you have any questions.

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Sandy Hinton

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LETTER OF AGENCY

I appoint ATAT as my agent to handle all arrangements with the local telephone company(s) for ATAT Dist 'I' and 'Local Toll' Service (where applicable) for all telephone lines listed below or in the Attuiturem, and to issue instantions to and to rate who deal with the Local exchange Company regarding the same. It is understood that only one Dist 'I' Long Distance Company may be designated for may be designated for Torst Toll' Service for a designated telephone number, and that the selection of issue than one carrier for either Dist 'I' Long Distance or 'Local Toll' Service will invalidate any choice. It is further understood that there may be a charge per line by the local telephone company(s) if there is a change in choice of carrier for either the Dist 'I' Long Distance Service or the 'Local Toll' Service following this selection.