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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: BellSouth Telecommunications,) Inc.'s Petition for Waiver for the West Palm Beach Gardens Central Office

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INTERMEDIA COMMUNICATIONS INC.'S COMMENTS ON BELLSOUTH'S PETITION FOR WAIVER

Intermedia Communications Inc. (Intermedia) hereby submits in the above-referenced matter its initial comments as requested by the staff.

COMMENTS

Intermedia plans to discovery on serve BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. to more fully develop its position regarding this matter. Intermedia's preliminary comments are set forth below.

The Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Act) in Section 251(c)(6) requires incumbent local exchange carriers (ILECs) to provide physical collocation unless the carrier demonstrates to the state commission that physical collocation is not practical for technical reasons or because of space limitations. Moreover, the ILEC is required to submit to the state commission detailed floor plans or diagrams of any premises when the ILEC claims that physical collocation is not practical because of space limitation. (47

tavana MI. Intermedia believes that it is essential to allow competing TR providers that may seek physical collocation at BellSouth's AG EG -premises to tour the premises. Allowing competitors to "walk IN through" BellSouth's premises would allow competitors, such as PC DOODMENT NEWPER-DATE **RECEIVED & FILED** CH EC 1 1 9 3 8 OCT 26 8* FPSC-BUREAU OF RECORDS VAS

Intermedia, to identify space that could be used for providing physical collocation. Moreover, this Commission would be in a better position to evaluate BellSouth's petition if competitors viewed BellSouth's premises and present their positions to the Commission.

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Intermedia respectfully requests that it be permitted to tour BellSouth's facility that is the subject matter of the abovereferenced docket, and reserves the right to file additional comments after the walk-through and completion of discovery.

Respectfully submitted, this 26th day of October, 1998.

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