BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Joint petition of Citizens of Florida; Robert A. Butterworth, Attorney General of the State of Florida; and American Association of Retired Persons to expand lifeline assistance plan eligibility criteria so customers with existing debts to local exchange companies may no longer be denied lifeline service as long as they subscribe to toll blocking service.

DOCKET NO. 990694-TL
ORDER NO. PSC-99-1613-PCO-TL
ISSUED: August 17, 1999

ORDER AUTHORIZING QUALIFIED REPRESENTATIVE STATUS

On June 17, 1999, George B. Hanna, General Attorney for BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (BellSouth), filed a written request pursuant to Rule 28-106.106, Florida Administrative Code, for Nancy B. White, General Counsel-Florida, 150 West Flagler Street, Suite 1910, Miami, Florida, 33130, to appear as Qualified Representative for BellSouth in Docket No. 990694-TL. Having reviewed the request, it appears that Nancy B. White has the necessary qualifications to responsibly represent BellSouth's interest in a manner which will not impair the fairness of the proceeding or the correctness of the action to be taken. Having met the requirements of Rule 28-106.106(4), Florida Administrative Code, Nancy B. White is authorized to appear as Qualified Representative on behalf of BellSouth in this docket.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by Commissioner Susan F. Clark, as Prehearing Officer, that Nancy B. White, General Counsel-Florida, 150 West Flagler Street, Suite 1910, Miami, Florida, 33130, is authorized to appear as Qualified Representative on behalf of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., 150 West Flagler Street, Suite 1910, Miami, Florida, 33130, in this docket.

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By ORDER of Commissioner Susan F. Clark, as Prehearing Officer, this <u>17th</u> day of <u>August</u>, <u>1999</u>.

SUSAN F. CLARK

Commissioner and Prehearing Officer

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.569(1), 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.

Mediation may be available on a case-by-case basis. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to a hearing.

Any party adversely affected by this order, which is preliminary, procedural or intermediate in nature, may request: (1) reconsideration within 10 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.0376, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by a Prehearing Officer; (2) reconsideration within 15 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by the Commission; or (3) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court, in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility, or the First District Court of Appeal, in the case of a water or wastewater utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code. Judicial review of a preliminary, procedural or intermediate ruling or order is available if review of the final action will not provide an adequate remedy. review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.