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RECONDS AND REPORTING

Mrs. Blanca S. Bayó Director, Division of Records and Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 990750-TP (ITC^DeltaCom)

Dear Ms. Bayó:

Enclosed is an original and fifteen copies of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s Request for Confidential Classification which we ask that you file in the above-referenced matter.

A copy of this letter is enclosed. Please mark it to indicate that the original was filed and return the copy to me. Copies have been served to the parties shown on the attached Certificate of Service.

Sincerely,

Bennett L. Ross

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cc: All Parties of Record Marshall M. Criser III R. Douglas Lackey Nancy B. White

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This request for confidentiality was filed in a docketed matter by or on behalf of a telecommunications company for Confidential Document No. [2732-97] No ruling is required unless the material is subject to a request per 119.07, FS, or has been admitted into the record per Rule 25-22.006(8)(b), FAC.

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:)	
)	Docket No. 990750-TP
Petition for Arbitration of ITC^DeltaCom)	
Communications, Inc. with BellSouth)	
Telecommunications, Inc. Pursuant to the)	
Telecommunications Act of 1996.)	Filed: October 18, 1999
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BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.'S REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"), hereby files, pursuant to Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, its Request For Confidential Classification, and states the following:

- 1. On September 27, 1999, BellSouth filed a Notice of Intent to Request Confidential Classification for responses to Staff's First Set of Interrogatories and First Request for Production of Documents, Interrogatory No. 12 and Request for Production Nos. 3 and 5.
- 2. BellSouth is now filing a Request for Confidential Classification for the subject information because the information provided in Interrogatory No. 12 and Request for Production No. 3 includes proprietary information, among other things, vendor specific and pricing information, customer specific and cost information. BellSouth withdraws Request for Production No. 5 from this Request for Confidential Classification.
- 3. BellSouth has appended to this Request for Confidential Classification as Attachment A an identification of the specific locations of the confidential information in both the interrogatory response and in the responsive documents. Attachment A also contains the specific justification for the request for confidential classification

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- 4. BellSouth has appended to this Request as Attachment B a redacted paper copy of the documents for which confidential classification is requested.
- 5. BellSouth has appended to this Request as Attachment C a highlighted paper copy of the documents for which confidential classification is requested.
- 6. This information reflects vendor specific prices negotiated by BellSouth. Public disclosure of this information would impair BellSouth's ability to contract for goods and services on favorable terms. This information is valuable, it is used by BellSouth in conducting its business and BellSouth strives to keep it secret. Therefore, this information should be classified as proprietary, confidential business information pursuant to Section 364.183(3)(d) Florida Statutes and is exempt from the Open Records Act.
- 7. BellSouth has treated and intends to continue to treat the information for which confidential classification is sought as private, and this information has not been generally disclosed.
- 8. The original of this Notice has been filed with the Division of Records and Reporting, and a copy has been served on the Division requesting the information.

WHEREFORE, based on the foregoing, BellSouth moves the Commission to enter an order declaring the information described above to be confidential information that is not subject to public disclosure.

Respectfully submitted this 18th day of October, 1999.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE Docket No. 990750-TP

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served via

U.S. Mail this 18th day of October, 1999 to the following:

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*Signed a Protective Agreement

ATTACHMENT A

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. FPSC Docket No. 990750-TP Request for Confidential Classification Page 1 10/18/99

REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION OF BELLSOUTH'S RESPONSE TO STAFF'S FIRST SET OF INTERROGATORIES, INTERROGATORY NO. 12 AND BELLSOUTH'S RESPONSE TO STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS, NO. 3 FILED SEPTEMBER 27, 1999, IN DOCKET 990750-TP

Explanation of Proprietary Information

REASON: A

This information reflects BellSouth's cost to provide certain services. The public disclosure of this information would provide BellSouth's competitors with an advantage in that they would know the price or rate below which BellSouth could not provide the service, therefore, it would be inequitable and unfair for BellSouth's competitors to have access to BellSouth's cost information. In addition, this information is valuable, it is used by BellSouth in conducting its business and BellSouth strives to keep it secret. Therefore, such information is a trade secret which should be classified as proprietary, confidential business information pursuant to 364.183, Florida Statues and is exempt from the Open Records Act.

REASON: B

This information reflects vendor specific pricing negotiated by BellSouth. Public disclosure of this information would impair BellSouth's ability to contract for goods and/or services on favorable terms. Pursuant to Section 364.183, Florida Statues such information is classified as proprietary, confidential business information which is exempt from the Open Records Act.

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INTERROGATORY NO. 12

Line Nos. Reason

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POD NO. 3

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1	Whole page	A
8	Contracted Services	В
9	Contracted Labor, Andersen	В
10	Item No. 4	В
11	Contracted Services	В
12	Contracted Services,	В
	Andersen	
13	Item No. 4	В
14	Contracted Services	В
15	Contracted Labor, Andersen	В
16	Item No. 4	В
18	Contracted Labor, Andersen	В
19	Item No. 4	В
21	Contracted Labor, Andersen	В
23	Contracted Services	В
24	Contracted labor, Andersen	В
25	Item No. 4	В
26	Contracted Services	В
27	Contracted Labor, Andersen	В
28	Item No. 4	В
29	Contracted Services	В
30	Contracted labor, Andersen	В
31	Item No. 4	В
33	Contracted Services,	В
	Contracted	
	Labor, Andersen	
35	Labor Rate	В
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	Montetary Amount	
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