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Dear Ms. Bayo:

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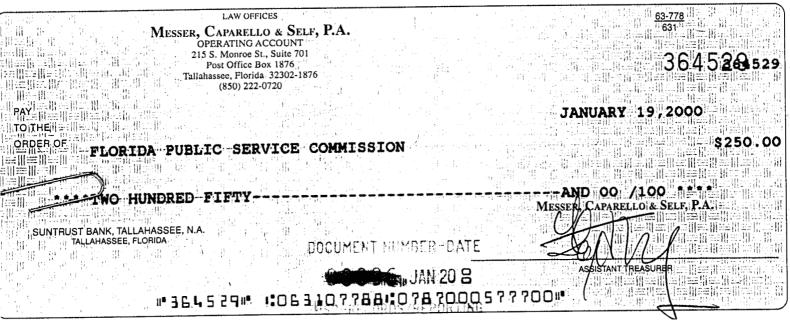
SEC WAN OTH Enclosed for filing are an original and 6 copies of an application for an ALEC Certificate for Southern Telecom, Inc. The application fee of \$250.00 is also enclosed.

Please acknowledge receipt of these documents by stamping the extra copy of this letter Tiled" and returning the same to me.

Thank you for your assistance with this filing.

Sincerely,

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Commissioners: JOE GARCIA, CHAIRMAN J. TERRY DEASON SUSAN F. CLARK E. LEON JACOBS, JR.



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Norman H. Horton, Jr. Messer, Caparello & Self c/o Southern Telecom, Inc. d/b/a Southern Telecom of America, Inc. Post Office Box 1876 Tallahassee, Florida 32302-1876

Re: Docket No. 000055-TX

Dear Mr. Horton:

This will acknowledge receipt of an application for certificate to provide alternative local exchange telecommunications service by, Southern Telecom d/b/a Southern Telecom of America, Inc., which was filed with this office on January 19, 2000 and assigned the above-referenced docket number. Appropriate staff members will be advised.

Mediation may be available to resolve any dispute in this docket. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to an administrative hearing. For more information, contac't the Office of General Counsel at (850) 413-6078 or FAX (850) 413-6079.

Please make notes as well that Commission Rule 25-22.005(7), F.A.C., requires certificated companies to notify the Commission of any changes in name, telephone, address, or contact person. Should your application be granted by the Commission, you will be expected to comply with this rule by advising us of any changes as they occur.

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