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Re: Docket No. 020904-TP

Request for approval of interconnection, unbundling, resale, collocation agreement and one amendment between BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and Pan American Telecom, Inc.

Dear Ms. Bayó:

On August 19, 2002, BellSouth filed for approval of the negotiated Interconnection, Unbundling, Resale and Collation and One Amendment Agreement between BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and Pan American Telecom, Inc. pursuant to Sections 251, 252 and 271 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. BellSouth represented, at that time, that the agreement was consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity and requested that the agreement be deemed effective by operation of law on November 17, 2002.

It has been brought to our attention that two of the principals of Pan American Telecom have pled guilty to federal charges concerning identification theft. See the attached article from the November 9, 2002 edition of the Palm Beach Post. In light of these circumstances, BellSouth submits that the agreement between BellSouth and Pan American is no longer in the public interest and should be rejected by the Commission.

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Sincerely,

Nancy B. White

Enclosures

cc: All parties of record Marshall M. Criser, III R. Douglas Lackey

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ID fraud lands man 46 months in prison

By Rani Gupta, Palm Beach Post Staff Writer Saturday, November 9, 2002

WEST PALM BEACH -- A man who lived the high life by assuming other men's identities will soon be trading spa visits for steel bars and expensive sushi dinners for prison grub.

Jeffrey Emil Groover, 42, formerly of West Palm Beach was sentenced to 46 months in prison Friday, six months after pleading guilty to credit card fraud for stealing the identities of five men, including former New York Mets co-owner Nelson Doubleday.

In federal court, Groover said the stress of the investigation had caused him to become addicted to prescription painkillers, which he said "clouded my vision in some areas."

"I did some things I regret, and I'm willing to stand up and take responsibility for them," said Groover, who worked as a computer engineer.

U.S. District Judge Kenneth Ryskamp also ordered Groover to pay \$271,903 in restitution to his victims, who include Palm Beach philanthropist Donald Burns.

Groover's accomplice, Cheryl Barns Lovelace, 36, of Lantana received probation for her part in the crimes.

After obtaining credit cards in Burns' name, Groover spent almost \$12,000, some of it on a BMW. He also spent \$200,000 impersonating a man with the same last name, according to the victim, Jeffrey D. Groover of Wellington.

In October 2001, Groover was charged with 32 counts of criminal use of personal identification and one count of grand theft. The state turned the case over to federal prosecutors, who charged Groover with one count of fraud despite the multiple victims. Groover and Lovelace pleaded guilty to the federal charge in May.



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But Groover may not be out of the woods yet.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Kerry Baron told Ryskamp that prosecutors are continuing to investigate Groover's former company, Pan American Telecom. Prosecutors have subpoenaed the company's records for a grand jury investigation, Baron said.

Ted Gonzales of the Palm Beach County State Attorney's Office money laundering task force testified that Groover had Lovelace file documents with state utility regulator the Public Service Commission, falsely claiming that Groover, the company's founder, was not a felon.

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