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Re: Docket No. 981834-TP – Petition of Competitive Carriers for Commission action to support local competition in BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s service territory

Re: Docket No. 990321-TP - Petition of ACI Corp. d/b/a Accelerated Connections, Inc. for generic investigation to insure that BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., Sprint-Florida, Inc., and GTE Florida, inc. comply with obligation to provide alternative local exchange carriers with flexible, timely and cost-efficient physical collocation

Dear Ms. Bayó,

Please find enclosed for filing in the above dockets an original and seven (7) copies of FDN Communication's Prehearing Statement for Issues Nos. 9 – 10. A diskette with an electronic version of the Prehearing Statement is also enclosed.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please call me at 407-835-0460.

Sincerely,

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition of Competitive Carriers for
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Petition of ACI Corp. d/b/a Accelerated
Connections, Inc. for generic investigation to
ensure that BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.,
Sprint-Florida, Incorporated, and GTE
Florida Incorporated comply with obligation
provide alternative local exchange
carriers with flexible, timely, and cost-efficient
physical collocation

Docket No. 990321-TP

PREHEARING STATEMENT OF FLORIDA DIGITAL NETWORK, INC.
d/b/a FDN COMMUNICATIONS

Pursuant to Order No. PSC-02-1513-PCO-TP, issued November 4, 2002, as subsequently amended ("Order on Procedure"), Florida Digital Network, Inc., d/b/a FDN Communications ("FDN") hereby files its Prehearing Statement in the captioned dockets as follows:

A. Known Witnesses

FDN has not prefiled testimony for Issues 9 – 10 as identified in the Order on Procedure for this phase of these dockets. At this time, FDN does reserve the right to call agents, officers and employees of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., ("BellSouth"), Verizon Florida, Inc. ("Verizon") and Sprint-Florida, Inc. ("Sprint") as adverse party witnesses, pending review of the parties' prehearing statements, rebuttal testimony and

depositions, if any, and FDN reserves its right to cross examine the witnesses of any other party.

B. Known Exhibits

FDN did not prefile any exhibits for Issues 9 – 10 as identified in the Order on Procedure for this phase of these dockets. However, FDN reserves the right to identify and introduce additional exhibits during cross-examination of other parties' witnesses and re-direct of its own, if any, and, to the extent permitted by Commission rules and the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure, to identify and introduce the depositions of other parties' agents, officers and employees.

C. Statement of Basic Position

The Commission should approve the rates proposed by the ALECs in this phase of the proceeding. FDN, like the other ALECs, maintains that the cost studies and resulting rates proposed by the ILECs are not TELRIC compliant. Moreover, the rates proposed by Verizon and Sprint, in particular, are exorbitantly high – significantly above BellSouth's proposed rates and the current Sprint and Verizon rates. Thus, aside from considering the ILEC cost studies' inconsistency with TELRIC principles and, as AT&T points out, the ILEC cost studies' needless inconsistency with one another, the Commission should consider that the current level of competition in Sprint territory is de minimus and the level of competition in Verizon territory lags behind competition in BellSouth territory, and the Commission would do significant harm to UNE-L / facilities-based competition if the Commission were to increase collocation rates as Sprint and Verizon propose. The Commission should, instead, approve collocation rates lower than current collocation rates and thereby induce UNE-L / facilities-based competition.

D – F. Statement of Issues and Positions

Below is a list of issues, as identified in the Commission's Order on Procedure and FDN's tentative positions on those issues.

ISSUE 9A: For which collocation elements should rates be set for each ILEC?

FDN: Agree with AT&T and Covad.

ISSUE 9B: For those collocation elements for which rates should be set, what is the proper rate and the appropriate application of those rates?

FDN: Agree with AT&T and Covad. Further, to the extent this issue overlaps the prior phase of this proceeding, refer to FDN's positions in the prior phase of the proceeding.

ISSUE 9B: What are the appropriate definitions, and associated terms and conditions for the collocation elements to be determined by the Commission?

FDN: Agree with AT&T and Covad.

G. Stipulated Issues

FDN is unaware of any stipulated issues for this phase of the proceeding at the time of serving this filing.

H. Pending Motions

FDN has no pending motions at the time of serving this filing.

I. Pending Confidentiality Issues

FDN is not aware of any pending confidentiality issues raised by FDN at the time of serving this filing.

J. Order Establishing Procedure Requirements

To FDN's knowledge, at the time of serving this filing, there are no requirements of the Order on Procedure that cannot be complied with.

K. Decisions or Pending Decisions

At the time of serving this filing, FDN is not aware of any decision or pending FCC or court decision that has or may preempt or otherwise impact the Commission's ability to resolve any of the above issues.

L. Objections to Expert Qualifications

Witnesses in this proceeding may have rendered opinions on what may be considered legal issues. In the past, the Commission has permitted non-lawyers to render opinions on legal matters, but the Commission has typically not accepted such opinions as those of legal experts. If the Commission accepts the legal opinions of these non-lawyers as expert legal opinions, then FDN would reserve its right to conduct voir dire of those witnesses as to those legal opinions. FDN also reserves its right to conduct cross examination of the witnesses on their opinions.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, this 6th day of Oct., 2003.



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
Docket No. 981834-TP and 990321-TP

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing was sent by e-mail and regular mail to the persons listed below, other than those marked with an (*) who have been sent a copy via overnight mail, this 6th day of October, 2003.

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