

## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Tariff proposal to provide for ) DOCKET NO. 910325-TL  
 billing of service by multiple telephone )  
 companies where a local exchange company ) ORDER NO. 24418  
 does not concur in Southern Bell's private )  
 line tariff, by SOUTHERN BELL TELEPHONE ) ISSUED: 4/23/91  
 AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY )

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

THOMAS M. BEARD, Chairman  
 J. TERRY DEASON  
 BETTY EASLEY  
 GERALD L. GUNTER  
 MICHAEL MCK. WILSON

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF FILING

BY THE COMMISSION:

On November 16, 1990, Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company (Southern Bell or the Company) filed tariff revisions to facilitate meet point billing of private line service which is provided by multiple companies. In a meet point billing arrangement, each end of the interoffice channel may be provided by a different LEC. The proposed tariff states that when companies do not concur with Southern Bell's private line tariff, the provisions of this tariff will apply. Currently all local exchange companies concur with Southern Bell's private line tariff for interexchange private line services. Implementation of this tariff is an initial step toward depooling interexchange private line and toward the institution of company specific tariffs and rates.

Under the proposed tariff, the mileage charge for each interLEC interoffice channel will be based on a billing factor determined from the NECA No.4 tariff filed with the FCC. If a LEC does not bill for either end of the interoffice channel, the fixed recurring and nonrecurring charges other than the mileage charges do not apply. In such a circumstance, the intermediate LEC will charge for only the mileage in its territory. When a LEC does bill for an end of an interoffice channel, 50% of each respective LEC's tariff rate applies to the fixed recurring rate element and to the nonrecurring charge for the end provided.

The proposed tariff does not affect the cost of providing the interoffice channel. The rate application also remains the same so there will be no change in revenue for Southern Bell.

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This filing has no direct affect on the provisioning, or on the current billing, of private line services. It puts in place a mechanism for companies to perform meet point billing once private line services are no longer pooled and companies have instituted company-specific tariffs and rates. There is no customer impact and the companies' revenue will not change due to the filing. We find that it is appropriate for this tariff change to be made before the pool arrangement is ended and the LECs move to company-specific tariffs. We anticipate that no additional changes will be required to implement meet point billing once company-specific tariffs are filed. Thus, we approve Southern Bell's tariff request to implement meet point billing which will apply as each LEC ends its concurrence with Southern Bell's Private Line tariff.

As nothing remains to be resolved in this Docket it should be closed at the end of the protest period, assuming no timely protest is received.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company's request to provide for billing of service by multiple telephone companies where a local exchange company does not concur in the Southern Bell's Private Line tariff is hereby approved. It is further,

ORDERED that this tariff shall become effective on April 9, 1991. If a protest is filed in accordance with the requirements set forth below, this tariff shall remain in effect with any increases held subject to refund pending resolution of the protest. If no timely protest is filed, this Docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission. this 23rd  
day of APRIL, 1991.

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STEVE TRIBBLE, Director  
Division of Records and Reporting

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CWM

by: Kay Jensen  
Chief, Bureau of Records

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.59(4), 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.

The Commission's decision on this tariff is interim in nature and will become final, unless a person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed files a petition for a formal proceeding, as provided by Rule 25-22.036(4), Florida Administrative Code, in the form provided by Rule 25-22.036(7)(a)(d) and (e), Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting at his office at 101 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870, by the close of business on May 14,  
1991.

In the absence of such a petition, this Order shall become final on the day subsequent to the above date.

Any objection or protest filed in this docket before the issuance date of this Order is considered abandoned unless it satisfies the foregoing conditions and is renewed within the specified protest period.

If this Order becomes final on the date described above, any party adversely affected may request judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or by the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water or sewer utility by filing a notice of appeal with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days of the date this Order becomes final, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900(a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.