

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Request for approval of) DOCKET NO. 930445-TL
tariff filing to allow the) ORDER NO. PSC-93-0845-FOF-TL
optional land-to-mobile calling) ISSUED: June 7, 1993
plan to apply to expanded local)
calling area calls by Southern)
Bell.)
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The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

J. TERRY DEASON, Chairman
THOMAS M. BEARD
SUSAN F. CLARK
JULIA L. JOHNSON
LUIS J. LAUREDO

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

BY THE COMMISSION:

On March 29, 1993, BellSouth Communications, Inc. d/b/a Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company (Southern Bell or the Company) filed a request for approval of a tariff revision. Southern Bell proposes to allow the optional land-to-mobile calling plan to apply to Expanded Local Calling Area calls. This tariff was filed by Southern Bell in response to customer complaints for charges which previously had been free and are now being billed on a per call basis. This tariff rectifies an unforeseen situation created by the proliferation of \$.25 plans and other types of modified Extended Area Service plans.

Section A35 of Southern Bell's tariff, Interconnection of Mobile Services, provides for intraLATA direct long distance calls from telephone numbers served by Southern Bell and terminating in the Mobile Service Provider's (MSP) network to be excluded from the originator's bill (Land-to-Mobile Option). The MSP will pay usage charges for the calls based on the point of interconnection with the MSP.

The LTM option applies only to intraLATA toll routes. Several intraLATA toll routes have been converted to local due to (EAS) routes approved by the Commission. Since some of these routes have been converted to the \$.25 or similar plans (referred to as Local Calling Plus in Southern Bell's tariff), landline customers who call subscribers of the MSP are now billed per call, whereas prior to the implementation of the \$.25 plan they were free to the landline.

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The filing will allow the optional Land-to-Mobile (LTM) calling plan, available to Mobile Service Providers, to apply when the landline customer originating a call to a MSP, with the LTM option, is outside of the basic local calling area but within the expanded local calling area (i.e., \$.25 and similar plans).

Southern Bell indicated in its filing that the revenue impact of this tariff revision will be minimal. The revenue impact is projected to be slightly negative because Southern Bell will receive LTM usage charges (\$.0597/min. at an average holding time of approximately 2 minutes or less) instead of the \$.25 or \$.20 per message charge from the landline customer with Local Calling Plus.

Upon review, we believe that the tariff is appropriate and it is therefore approved. The tariff eliminates the problematic situation created by the implementation of \$.25 plans and similar offerings which convert long distance routes to local routes. In addition, approval of this tariff will circumvent problems as more \$.25 and similar plans are implemented. We believe that this modification to the LTM option is consistent with our original decision to approve the LTM interconnection option.

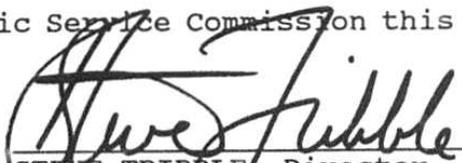
Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the tariff filed by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company on March 29, 1993, is hereby approved as set forth in the body of this Order. It is further

ORDERED that if a timely protest is filed pursuant to the requirements set forth below, any increased revenues resulting from this filing shall be held subject to refund. It is further

ORDERED that if no protest is received in accordance with the requirements set forth below, this docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 7th day of June, 1993.



STEVE TRIBBLE, Director
Division of Records and Reporting

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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 June 28, 1993.

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 wastewater 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.