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November 12, 1999

Mrs. Blanca S. Bayo
Director, Division of Records and Reporting
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

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Re: Approval of an Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") and ALLTEL Communications, Inc. pursuant to Sections 251, 252 and 271 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Dear Mrs. Bayo:

Pursuant to section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, BellSouth and ALLTEL Communications, Inc. are submitting to the Florida Public Service Commission an amendment to their negotiated agreement for the interconnection of their networks, the unbundling of specific network elements offered by BellSouth and the resale of BellSouth's telecommunications services to ALLTEL Communications, Inc. The Commission approved the initial agreement between the companies in Order 97-1461 issued November 20, 1998 in Docket 971017-TP.

Pursuant to section 252(e) of the Act, the Commission is charged with approving or rejecting the negotiated agreement between BellSouth and ALLTEL Communications, Inc. within 90 days of its submission. The Act provides that the Commission may only reject such an agreement if it finds that the agreement or any portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or the implementation of the agreement or any portion of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity. Both parties aver that neither of these reasons exist as to the agreement they have negotiated and therefore, are very hopeful that the Commission shall approve their agreement.

Very truly yours,

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Regulatory Vice President

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ATTACHMENT TO TRANSMITTAL LETTER

The October 5, 1999 Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement between ALLTEL Communications, Inc. and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., dated July 23, 1997, for the state of Florida, consists of the following:

ITEM	NO. PAGES
Amendment	3
TOTAL	3

**Amendment to
The Interconnection Agreement
Between ALLTEL Communications, Inc.
and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.
Dated July 23, 1997**

Pursuant to this Agreement (the "Amendment") ALLTEL Communications, Inc. ("ALLTEL") and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., ("BellSouth") hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties" hereby agree to amend that certain Agreement between the Parties dated July 23, 1997 ("the Agreement").

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereto agree as follows:

1. The Parties agree that BellSouth will, upon request, provide and ALLTEL will accept and pay for Acceptance of Virtual Collocation Wire Cross-Connects for the state of Florida in accordance with the schedule of prices set forth in Attachment A to this Amendment which is incorporated herein by reference.
2. The parties agree that all future requests for Virtual Collocation must be specified with the schedule of increments and prices set forth in Section 20 of BellSouth Telecommunication's Inc. Interstate Access Service Tariff, F.C.C. No. 1.
3. The Parties agree that all of the other provisions of the Agreement, dated July 23, 1997, together with all amendments in effect as of the date of execution of this Amendment shall remain in full force and effect.
4. The Parties agree that either or both of the Parties is authorized to submit this Amendment to the Florida Public Service Commission or other regulatory body having jurisdiction over the subject matter of this Amendment, for approval subject to Section 252(e) of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be executed by their respective duly authorized representatives on the date indicated below.

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.


Authorized Signature

Jerry D. Hendrix
Print or Type Name

Sr. Director
Title

10/5/99
Date

ALLTEL Communications, Inc.


Authorized Signature

Lynn Hughes
Print or Type Name

Staff Manager
Title

10-4-99
Date

ATTACHMENT A

<u>Rate Element Description</u>	<u>Type of Charge</u>	<u>Charge</u>
VIRTUAL COLLOCATION (Note 1)		
2-Wire Cross-Connect	RC	\$.0502
4-Wire Cross-Connect	RC	\$.0502
2-Wire Cross-Connect	NRC	\$11.57
4-Wire Cross-Connect	NRC	\$11.57

Notes

NRC: Non-recurring Charge - one-time charge

RC: Recurring Charge - charged monthly

(1) **Cross Connects:** Rates shown are the equivalent per cross connect rates based on the Florida PSC Ordered rates as follows:

<u>Cross Connects</u>	<u>Per Cross Connect</u>	<u>RC</u>	<u>NRC</u>
2-wire	Per 100 X-Connects	\$5.02	\$1,157.00
4-wire	Per 100 X-Connects	\$5.02	\$1,157.00