

VOTE SHEET

DECEMBER 21, 1999

RE: DOCKET NO. 981834-TP - Petition of Competitive Carriers for Commission action to support local competition in BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s service territory.

DOCKET NO. 960786-TL - Consideration of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s entry into interLATA services pursuant to Section 271 of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.

Issue 1: Should the Commission approve the final Master Test Plan developed by KPMG?

Recommendation: Yes. Staff believes the Master Test Plan is a comprehensive Operations Support Systems testing plan that should be approved by the Commission.

**APPROVED**

COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: Full Commission

COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES

MAJORITY

DISSENTING

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*J. Terry Dean*  
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REMARKS/DISSENTING COMMENTS:

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Issue 2: Should the Commission proceed with independent third-party testing of BellSouth's Operations Support Systems?

Recommendation: Yes. The Commission should proceed with Phase II of OSS testing as set forth in the MTP. Staff also recommends that the Commission designate KPMG as the Phase II Test Manager. In addition, staff recommends that the cost of Operations Support Systems testing be borne by BellSouth.

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Issue 3: Should these dockets be closed?

Recommendation: No. Whether or not the Commission approves staff's recommendations in Issues 1 and 2, these dockets should remain open to address the issues raised in FCCA's Petition for Commission Action to Support Local Competition in BellSouth's Service Territory and BellSouth's compliance with Section 271.

**APPROVED**