## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Investigation into United Telephone Company of Florida's authorized return on equity and earnings.	)	DOCKET NO. ORDER NO. ISSUED:	891239-TL 22963 5-21-90
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## INTERIM PROTECTIVE ORDER

By Motion for Interim Protective Order, filed May 3, 1990, and Memorandum in Support of Motion for Interim Protective Order, filed May 18, 1990, United Telephone Company of Florida (United), with the concurrence of the Office of Public Counsel (Public Counsel), has requested, pursuant to Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, that this Commission issue an interim protective order for materials and information requested by Public Counsel. United intends to deliver into Public Counsel's possession materials and information in response to Public Counsel's Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Requests for Production of Documents. Specifically, United's request is for interim confidential treatment for documents produced in response to:

- Public Counsel's Third Request for Production, Requests Nos. 1-3, 5-17, 23, 25, 27-29, 31-32, 37, 39-50, 61-70, 72, 78, 81-82, 84 and 85;
- 2. Public Counsel's Fourth Request for Production, Requests Nos. 2, 4, 7, 8 and 9;
- Public Counsel's Fifth Request for Production, Requests Nos. 4-6, 8, 11-15, 19-21, 23-26, and 28-31;
- Public Counsel's Sixth Request for Production, Requests Nos. 1, 2, 6, 8 and 9;
- Public Counsel's Seventh Request for Production, Request No. 1; and
- Public Counsel's Eighth Request for Production, Requests Nos. 1-3.

United asserts that throughout the documents contained in its responses to the above-noted requests for production of Public Counsel is material that falls within the statutory criteria for confidential treatment. United requests that the Commission provide such materials and information protection

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from disclosure until the Public Counsel is able to complete its review. At the completion of its review, the Public Counsel will notify United of the specific materials and information it intends to use in this proceeding. At that point, United will request specified confidential classification of those specific materials and information for which it is necessary. By this method, United asserts that the discovery process will be made much more efficient and less time consuming which will benefit all parties.

Based on the foregoing, we find it appropriate, pursuant to our authority in Section 364.183, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, to grant United's request for an Interim Protective Order. Accordingly, the documents received by Public Counsel from United shall be kept confidential and be exempt from public disclosure under 119.07(1), Florida Statutes, for the duration of this Interim Protective Order. By July 1, 1990, Public Counsel shall identify from the documents covered by this Interim Protective Order those that it intends to utilize in this hearing. United shall file any request for specified confidential classification that it intends to file for such documents no later than July 31, 1990. This interim protective order shall expire on July 31, 1990. This Order shall have no effect on the subsequent determination of any request for specified confidential classification of any of these materials and information.

By ORDER of BETTY EASLEY, Prehearing Officer, this <u>21st</u> day of <u>MAY</u>, <u>1990</u>.

BETTY EASLEY, Commissioner and Prehearing Officer

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