BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Request by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. for approval of amendment to resale agreement with Vast-Tel Communications, Inc. pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

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The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

JOE GARCIA, Chairman J. TERRY DEASON SUSAN F. CLARK JULIA L. JOHNSON E. LEON JACOBS, JR.

ORDER APPROVING AMENDMENT TO EXISTING RESALE AGREEMENT

BY THE COMMISSION:

On October 29, 1998, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (BellSouth) and Vast-Tel Communications, Inc. (Vast-Tel) filed a request for approval of an amendment to the existing resale agreement under 47 U.S.C. \$252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the Act). The amendment to the existing agreement is attached to this Order as Attachment A and incorporated by reference herein.

Both the Act and Chapter 364, Florida Statutes, encourage parties to enter into negotiated agreements to bring about local exchange competition as quickly as possible. Under the requirements of 47 U.S.C. § 252(e), negotiated agreements must be submitted to the state commission for approval. Section 252(e)(4) requires the state to reject or approve the agreement within 90 days after submission or it shall be deemed approved.

This amendment to the existing agreement governs the relationship between the companies regarding local resale and the

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exchange of traffic pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 251. Upon review of the proposed amendment to the existing agreement, we believe that it complies with the Telecommunications Act of 1996; thus, we hereby approve it. BellSouth and Vast-Tel are also required to file any subsequent supplements or modifications to their agreement with the Commission for review under the provisions of 47 U.S.C. § 252(e).

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the amendment to the existing resale agreement between BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and Vast-Tel Communications, Inc., as set forth in Attachment A and incorporated by reference in this Order, is hereby approved. It is further

ORDERED that any supplements or modifications to this agreement must be filed with the Commission for review under the provisions of 47 U.S.C. § 252(e). It is further

ORDERED that this docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 22nd day of January, 1999.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, 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 120.569(1), 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.

Any party adversely affected by the Commission's final action in this matter may request: 1) reconsideration of the decision by filing a motion for reconsideration with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, within fifteen (15) days of the issuance of this order in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code; or 2) judicial review in Federal district court pursuant to the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(6).

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ATTACHMENT A

AMENDMENT TO RESALE AGREEMENT BETWEEN BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. AND VAST-TEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC. DATED APRIL 27, 1998

Pursuant to this Agreement (the "Amendment"), BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") and Vast-Tel Communications, Inc. ("Vast-Tel") hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties" hereby agree to amend that certain Resale Agreement between the Parties dated April 27, 1998 ("Resale Agreement").

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual provisions contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby covenant and agree as follows:

- 1. Section IV. 3 of the Resale Agreement is hereby amended to included the appropriate Shared Tenant Service tariff reference, A27, for the states of Alabama, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi and Tennessee.
- 2. All of the other provisions of the Resale Agreement, dated April 27, 1998 shall remain in full force and effect.
- 3. The Parties further agree that either or both of the Parties is authorized to submit this Amendment to the appropriate 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.

DATE

VAST-TEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

By:

DATE: