

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition by BellSouth
Telecommunications, Inc. for
Section 252(b) arbitration of a
resale agreement with NOW
Communications, Inc.

DOCKET NO. 000262-TP
ORDER NO. PSC-00-1338-PCO-TP
ISSUED: July 24, 2000

ORDER GRANTING REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO
FILE PREFILED TESTIMONY AND PREHEARING STATEMENTS

On February 25, 2000, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (BellSouth) filed a petition for arbitration of an interconnection agreement with NOW Communications, Inc. (NOW) under Section 252(b) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. Accordingly, this matter has been set for an administrative hearing.

By Order No. PSC-00-1128-PCO-TP, the Order Establishing Procedure, issued July 21, 2000, procedural dates were established, including testimony and prehearing statement filing dates. On July 21, 2000, BellSouth provided, by facsimile, a joint request on behalf of itself and NOW for a one week extension of time for filing prefiled direct and rebuttal testimony, and prehearing statements. A hard copy of the parties' request was filed on July 24, 2000. BellSouth states that the parties are continuing to negotiate the issues in this docket, and a filing extension will allow additional opportunity to resolve some or all of the issues. BellSouth indicates that an extension of the filing dates will not require rescheduling the prehearing conference and hearing dates. BellSouth indicates that it has been authorized by NOW to file the request for extension of time.

Based on the foregoing, I find it reasonable to grant the parties' request for extension of time to file prefiled testimony and prehearing statements. The following revised dates shall govern this case.

Direct Testimony and Exhibits	July 31, 2000
Rebuttal Testimony and Exhibits	August 7, 2000
Prehearing Statements	August 7, 2000

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Order No. PSC-00-1128-PCO-TP is reaffirmed in all other respects.

Based on the foregoing, it is hereby

ORDERED by Chairman J. Terry Deason, as Prehearing Officer that BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s and NOW Communications, Inc.'s joint request for extension of filing dates for testimony and prehearing statements is hereby granted as set forth in this Order. It is further

ORDERED that Order No. PSC-00-1128-PCO-TP is reaffirmed in all other respects.

By ORDER of Chairman J. Terry Deason as Prehearing Officer, this 24th day of July, 2000.



J. TERRY DEASON
Chairman and Prehearing Officer

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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.

Mediation may be available on a case-by-case basis. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to a hearing.

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Any party adversely affected by this order, which is preliminary, procedural or intermediate in nature, may request: (1) reconsideration within 10 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.0376, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by a Prehearing Officer; (2) reconsideration within 15 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by the Commission; or (3) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court, in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility, or the First District Court of Appeal, in the case of a water or wastewater utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code. Judicial review of a preliminary, procedural or intermediate ruling or order is available if review of the final action will not provide an adequate remedy. Such review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.