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Mr. Steve C. Tribble
Director, Division of Records and Reporting
Florida Public Service Commission
101 East Gaines Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

RE: Docket No. 870790-TL-Gilchrist County EAS

Dear Mr. Tribble:

Enclosed please find an original and fifteen copies of
Gilchrist County's Motion Requesting Issuance of Proposed
Agency Action Order and my Notice of Appearance, with
fifteen copies, which we ask that you file in the captioned
Docket.

A copy of this letter is enclosed. Please mark it to
indicate that the original was filed and return the copy to
me. Copies have been served to the parties shown on the
attached Certificate of Service.

Yours truly,

Theodore M. Burt

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Enclosures

cc: All parties of record

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN RE: Extended Area Service Request
throughout Gilchrist County

Docket No.:
Order No.:
Issued:

DRAFT OF PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION ORDER
GRANTING COUNTYWIDE EXTENDED AREA SERVICE

BY THE COMMISSION:

Order No. 17943 issued on August 6, 1987 directed Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company (Southern Bell) and Alltel Florida, Inc. (Alltel) to conduct traffic studies on the areas affected by the resolution filed by the Board of County Commissioners of Gilchrist County, Florida. The resolution requested us to consider the implementation of countywide extended area service (EAS).

The traffic study submitted in response to that order did not provide sufficient information to make a determination on the feasibility of EAS in Gilchrist County. Therefore, Commission Order No. 20607 issued January 17, 1989, directed Alltel and Southern Bell to conduct a second traffic study.

We now have received the information from the companies and believe that it is appropriate to implement countywide extended area service within Gilchrist County.

We recognize that there is an economic impact to Southern Bell and Alltel as a result of implementing countywide EAS. However, our experience with cost

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information that has been submitted to date in other EAS dockets has shown that to permit full recovery of costs would require us to approve rates that would be unacceptable to customers. Surveying customers on high rates ensures the failure of a survey. Based on the community of interest throughout Gilchrist County we believe that EAS is warranted. Therefore we will waive Rule 25-4.062, Florida Administrative Code.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the request for countywide extended are service filed by Gilchrist County is hereby granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if there is no protest filed within the time frame set below the plan described herein shall be implemented within 60 days of the date of the order.