

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Proposed tariff filing to reduce
rates for Saver Service and WATS Saver
by SOUTHERN BELL TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH
COMPANY

DOCKET NO. 910648-TL
ORDER NO. 24814
ISSUED: 7/15/91

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

THOMAS M. BEARD, Chairman
J. TERRY DEASON
BETTY EASLEY
MICHAEL McK. WILSON

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

BY THE COMMISSION:

By Order No. 23418, issued August 29, 1990, we approved Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company's (Southern Bell or the Company) tariff filing introducing a new optional toll calling plan called Saver Service and WatsSaver Service for both residential and business customers. The plan permits customers to purchase blocks of time at a flat monthly rate for intraLATA long distance service. Saver Service allows residential customers 120 minutes of use per account per month of intraLATA calling for a flat rate. WatsSaver Service is specifically for business customers and consists of three options permitting the customer to purchase either two, ten, or twenty-five minimum hours of Wide Area Telephone Service (WATS) at a flat rate.

On May 31, 1991, Southern Bell filed proposed revisions to lower the existing Saver Service and WatsSaver service rates within the preapproved banded rate structure. The purpose of this tariff filing is to better meet competition in these markets. Under the new proposal present Saver Service and WatsSaver service customers will receive a lower rate and existing MTS and WATS customers will be given an incentive to move from their present rates to a lower rate by subscribing to the Saver Service and WatsSaver service rates.

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The current and proposed rates with the respective banded rate structures for the service are as follows:

	<u>Minimum</u>	<u>Maximum</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Residence				
Option SS2				
(a) 120 minutes	\$16.13	\$21.96	\$21.96	\$20.40
(b) each additional minute of use	.1344	.1830	.1830	.1700
Business				
Option WS2				
(a) 120 min/ 2 hours	\$17.79	\$21.96	\$21.96	\$20.40
(b) each additional minute of use	.1482	.1830	.1830	.1700
Option WS10				
(a) 600 min/ 10 hours	\$88.92	\$98.48	\$98.48	\$96.00
(b) each additional minute of use	.1482	.1640	.1640	.1600
Option WS25				
(a) 1500 min/ 25 hours	\$222.30	\$225.00	\$225.00	N/C
(b) each additional minute of use	.1482	.1500	.1500	N/C

The Company has not proposed any rate reduction for the 25 hour plan because it believes the rates are currently at an appropriate level.

Although Southern Bell is seeking to lower rates, it has projected a positive revenue flow resulting from residential customers switching to Saver Service. In addition, Southern Bell has demonstrated that the service has consistently grown per month since it was approved in August 1990. Therefore, we believe this tariff is appropriate and hereby approve it as filed.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company's proposed tariff filing to

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reduce the rates for Saver Service and WatsSaver Service is hereby approved, with an effective date of July 1, 1991. It is further

ORDERED that if a protest is filed in accordance with the requirement set forth below, the tariff shall remain in effect with revenues held subject to refund pending resolution of the protest. It is further

ORDERED that if no protest is filed in accordance with the requirement set forth below, this docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this
15th day of JULY, 1991.



STEVE TRIBBLE, 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 120.59(4), 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.

The Commission's decision on this tariff is interim in nature and will become final, unless a person whose substantial interests

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are affected by the action proposed files a petition for a formal proceeding, as provided by Rule 25-22.036(4), Florida Administrative Code, in the form provided by Rule 25-22.036(7)(a)(d) and (e), Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting at his office at 101 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870, by the close of business on 8/5/91

In the absence of such a petition, this Order shall become final on the day subsequent to the above date.

Any objection or protest filed in this docket before the issuance date of this Order is considered abandoned unless it satisfies the foregoing conditions and is renewed within the specified protest period.

If this Order becomes final on the date described above, any party adversely affected may request judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or by the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water or sewer utility by filing a notice of appeal with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days of the date this Order becomes final, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900(a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.