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SEPTEMBER 1, 1998

RE: DOCKET NO. 971399-TL - Petition of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. to lift marketing restrictions imposed by Order PSC-96-1569-FOF-TP.

Issue 1: Should the Commission grant BellSouth relief from the requirements of Section III of Order No. PSC-96-1659-FOF-TP, issued December 23, 1996 in Docket Nos. 930330-TP and 960658-TP?

Recommendation: Yes. BellSouth should be granted relief from the requirements of Section III, item 1, of Order No. PSC-96-1659-FOF-TP, issued December 23, 1996 in Docket Nos. 930330-TP and 960658-TP, as specified in Issue 1a. This relief becomes effective when BellSouth files the six-month report (as described in staff's analysis) with this Commission on February 1, 1999.

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COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: Full Commission

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Issue 1a: What relief, if any, is appropriate?

Recommendation: Section III, item 1 of the current marketing restrictions should be amended to read as follows:

"..., due to the newly competitive environment you have an option of selecting a carrier for your local toll calls (calls made within a local calling zone to nearby communities) in addition to us."

BellSouth should also be allowed to educate new customers who select BellSouth for their intraLATA toll service or who introduce the subject during the initial customer contact. Staff also recommends that BellSouth be required to rewrite its customer mailer to actually educate the customer on how to dial-around and not reference it in a footnote.

Issue 2: Should this docket be closed?

Recommendation: Yes. This docket should be closed upon issuance of the final order in this proceeding.