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FROM:

DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES (CALDWELL)

RE:

DOCKET NO. 000075-TP - Investigation into appropriate methods to compensate carriers for exchange of traffic subject to Section 251 of the Telecommunications Act of

1996.

Attached is a Memorandum to all parties and interested persons to be filed in the above-referenced docket. Please note that copies have been electronically faxed to everyone in CMS with the exception of the 21 names on the attached list. These names had no fax number available.

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cc: Division of Competitive Services (Marsh)

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# Public Service Commission

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**DATE:** July 12, 2000

TO: All Parties and Interested Persons

FROM: Diana W. Caldwell, Staff Counsel

RE: Docket No. 000075-TP - Investigation into appropriate

methods to compensate carriers for exchange of traffic subject to Section 251 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Attached is the list of proposed issues that have been submitted for consideration at the issue identification conference scheduled for Thursday, July 13, 2000, at 10:00 a.m. For those who plan to attend, please note that the room has been changed to Room 309 from Room 362. A reminder that a teleconference call number has be attained for those who cannot attend. The non-Suncom number is (850) 410-0960 or Suncom (850) 210-0960.

If you have any questions about this meeting, please call me at (850) 413-6175 or Anne Marsh at (850) 413-6554.

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c: Division of Records and Reporting Division of Competitive Services (Marsh) Docket No. 000075-TP - Investigation into appropriate methods to compensate carriers for exchange of traffic subject to Section 251 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996

#### PROPOSED ISSUES

## Commission staff's proposed issues:

- 1. What types of traffic should be subject to compensation under section 251 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996?
- 2. Which facilities may be used to deliver each type of traffic identified in Issue 1?
- 3. What are the costs associated with the facilities identified in Issue 2?
- 4. What is the appropriate compensation mechanism for each type of traffic identified in Issue 1?
- 5. Should the Commission establish default rates for delivery of each type of traffic identified in Issue 1?
- 6. Should this docket be closed?

### BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s proposed issues:

- 1. What traffic exchanged between carriers is subject to the reciprocal compensation provisions of Section 251 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the Act)?
- 2. Should the Commission establish a compensation mechanism for traffic exchanged between carriers that is not subject to the reciprocal compensation provisions of Section 251 of the Act?
- 3. What actions should the Commission take, if any, with respect to establishing an appropriate compensation mechanism for the traffic at issue in this proceeding in light of current decisions and activities of the courts and the FCC?
- 4. What network components are used in transporting and terminating the circuit switched traffic at issue in this proceeding?

- 5. What are the costs associated with the transport and termination of the circuit switched traffic at issue in this proceedings/ How do these costs vary, if at all when:
  - a. Typical circuit-based switched are used;
  - b. Remote Access Services (RAS) or other alternative architectures are used; or
  - c. Traffic is delivered outside the originating local calling area through the use of a foreign exchange service or similar arrangement?
- 6. What is the appropriate mechanism for the recovery of costs associated with the transport and termination of the traffic at issue in this proceeding?
- 7. What are the public policy considerations, if any, of paying reciprocal compensation for traffic bound to the Internet through an internet Service Provider on a per minute of use basis?

## Orlando Telephone Company, Inc.'s proposed issues:

- 1. a. What is the rate charge to OBT and other companies from Sprint, when an extended area call is made and OTC carries the call 85 percent of the way to Sprint Tandems and end offices.
- b. Should the ALEC be charged an intraLATA rate of over \$.05 per minute?
  - c. Should the call be treated as a local call?

## GTE Florida Incorporated's proposed issues:

- 1. Does the Florida Public Service Commission, through a generic proceeding, have the jurisdiction to adopt an inter-carrier compensation mechanism for transport and termination of telecommunications to internet service providers (ISPs)?
- 2. Should the Commission establish such arrangements pending the FCC's own decision establishing inter-carrier compensation measures for ISP-bound traffic? If so, should these arrangements be interim in nature until the FCC adopts its rule establishing the appropriate compensation mechanism?
- 3. Even if the Commission establishes inter-carrier compensation measures for ISP-bound traffic, does it still recognize carriers' ability to establish compensation measures through their own negotiations and private dispute resolution mechanisms?
- 4. If the Commission adopts inter-carrier compensation measures for ISP-bound traffic, does it still recognize carriers' ability to

establish compensation measures through their own negotiations and private dispute resolution mechanisms?

- 5. Must inter-carrier compensation arrangements reflect the cost of the technology, functions, and network configuration employed in delivering ISP-bound traffic?
- 6. What network and switching architecture is required in order to originate and then switch ISP-bound traffic?
- 7. Should ALECs be required to provide studies reflecting their costs to switch internet-bound traffic? If they do not submit such studies, what conclusions should the Commission make about the cost differences between delivery of voice and ISP-bound calls?
- 8. How can ISP-bound traffic be separated from non-ISP bound traffic for purposes of addressing reciprocal compensation payments?
- 9. How do the calling patterns and traffic characteristics of ISP-bound traffic differ from calling patterns and traffic characteristics of voice traffic?
- 10. If the Commission determines that it has the authority to and should establish an inter-carrier compensation mechanism for delivery of ISP-bound traffic, what should that mechanism be?
- 11. Should inter-carrier compensation for deliver of ISP-bound traffic be limited to carrier and ISP arrangements involving circuit-switched technologies?
- 12. What policy considerations should inform the Commission's decision in this docket (including, for example, how the compensation mechanism will affect ALECs' competitive entry decisions; cost recovery issues and implications; economically efficient cost recovery solutions in the short term and in the long term)?

## MCI WorldCom's proposed issues:

1. Should the definition of "local traffic" for purposes of reciprocal compensation obligations under Section 251(b)(5) of the 1996 Act include ISP traffic?