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January 2, 2007

Mrs. Blanca S. Bayó
Division of the Commission Clerk and
Administrative Services
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

**Re: Docket No.:
In re: Applications for qualified representative status for 2007**

Dear Ms. Bayó:

Enclosed is BellSouth Telecommunications Inc.'s Request for Naming of Qualified Representative Status for James Meza III which we ask that you file in the captioned *new* docket. The original Affidavit will be filed with the Florida Public Service Commission tomorrow.

Sincerely,


Jennifer S. Kay

Enclosures

cc: Jerry D. Hendrix
E. Earl Edenfield, Jr.
James Meza III

FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for qualified representative) Docket No.: _____
status for 2007)
_____) Filed: January 2, 2007

Request for Naming of Qualified Representative

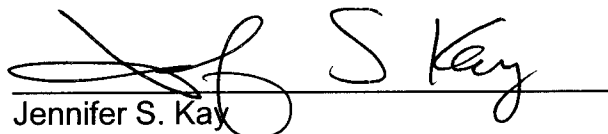
Pursuant to Rule 28-106.107, Florida Administrative Code, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") requests that James Meza III, General Counsel - Florida, be named a qualified representative of BellSouth in all docketed and nondocketed matters opened during the next twelve months. BellSouth is aware that it can be represented by counsel as defined in Rule 28-106.106, Florida Administrative Code and has chosen otherwise.

Attached hereto is a sworn affidavit setting forth Mr. Meza's qualifications. Mr. Meza is located at 150 West Flagler Street, Suite 1910, Miami, Florida 33130, telephone number (305) 347-5558.

WHEREFORE, BellSouth requests that the Florida Public Service Commission grant this request.

Respectfully submitted this 2nd day of January, 2007.

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.



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AFFIDAVIT

Undersigned counsel, being first duly sworn, states that:

Undersigned counsel is currently employed by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., as General Counsel-Florida, at the address and telephone number below.

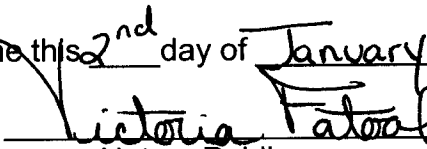
Undersigned counsel possesses the necessary qualifications to responsibly represent BellSouth's interests in all docketed and nondocketed matters before the Florida Public Service Commission.

Undersigned counsel is an attorney admitted to practice and a member in good standing of the States of Louisiana, Bar No. 25178; has also been certified by the Florida Bar as Authorized House Counsel No. (464260); has practiced extensively before this and other utility regulatory agencies or authorities; has knowledge of the Florida Statutes relative to the Commission's jurisdiction; has knowledge of the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure relating to discovery in an administrative proceeding; has knowledge of the Florida Administrative Code and Florida Statutes relative to the rules of evidence, including the concept of hearsay in an administrative proceeding; has acquired or will acquire knowledge of the factual and legal issues in these matters; and has knowledge of and compliance with the Standards of Conduct for Qualified Representatives contained in Rule 28-106.107 of the Florida Administrative Code.


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State of Florida
County of Miami-Dade

Affirmed and subscribed before me this 2nd day of January, 2007.


Victoria Fatool
Notary Public

