BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Request for Extended In re: Area Service between all exchanges within Volusia County) by Volusia County Council.

DOCKET NO. 911185-TL ORDER NO. PSC-92-0471-PCO-TL ISSUED: 6/9/92

ORDER GRANTING SECOND MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

By Order No. 25675, issued February 3, 1992, we directed Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company (Southern Bell) and United Telephone Company of Florida (United) to perform certain traffic studies. We ordered the companies to perform these traffic studies so that we could further evaluate Resolution No. 91-153A filed with this Commission by the County Council of Volusia County, Resolution No. 91-153A requested that we consider Florida. requiring implementation of extended area service (EAS) between all exchanges in Volusia County. The companies were directed to prepare and submit the studies to us within sixty (60) days of the issuance date of Order No. 25675, making the studies due by April 3, 1992.

On February 26, 1992, Southern Bell filed a Motion for Extension of Time requesting an extension through and including May 4, 1992, in which to prepare and submit the required traffic studies. As grounds for its request, Southern Bell stated that the data processing needed would be very complicated and time consuming, since fifty-nine routes are involved, a number of which require pocket studies. By Order No. PSC-92-0064-PCO-TL, issued March 16, 1992, we granted Southern Bell an extension of time until the close of business on May 4, 1992, in which to prepare and submit the required traffic studies.

On March 17, 1992, United filed a Motion for Extension of Time requesting an extension through and including May 4, 1992, in which to prepare and submit the required traffic studies. As grounds for its request, United stated that it had no record of having received Order No. 25675 and was unaware that traffic studies had been ordered until it received a copy of Southern Bell's Motion for Extension of Time. United then obtained a copy of Order No. 25675 on March 6, 1992. United asserted that it did not anticipate that its requested extension of time would delay the scheduled events in this docket. By Order No. PSC-92-0085-PCO-TL, issued March 23, 1992, we granted United an extension of time until the close of business on May 4, 1992, in which to prepare and submit the required traffic studies.

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On May 1, 1992, Southern Bell filed a Second Motion for Extension of Time requesting an extension through and including June 4, 1992, in which to prepare and submit the required traffic As grounds for its request, Southern Bell states that studies. subsequent to receiving the extension described above, systematic difficulties have arisen that will cause a further unanticipated delay in the filing of these traffic studies. Specifically, in October of 1991, Southern Bell's Data Processing Center in Jacksonville, Florida (at which the traffic studies in question will be run), was consolidated with several other processing centers to form a Regional Data Center in Miami, Florida. This consolidation involved changes in both the personnel responsible for processing the pertinent data, as well as sytematic changes in the manner in which these data are processed. In April of 1992, when Southern Bell undertook the first traffic studies to be processed at this new Regional Center, it found that it required substantially longer to complete the studies than usual because of changes in personnel and procedure attendant to the the consolidation of data centers. These factors, combined with the complexity of the studies required in this docket, have caused even greater delay in the processing of the necessary data to complete the instant studies. However, Southern Bell anticipates that the delays that have occurred in April represent only short term problems that have been resolved. In addition, Southern Bell states that it may not need the entire thirty-day extension and that it will submit the studies at the earliest date possible.

Upon consideration, I find it appropriate to grant Southern Bell's request for a second extension of time. Accordingly, Southern Bell shall be granted an extension of time until the close of business on June 4, 1992, in which to prepare and submit the required traffic studies.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by Commissioner Susan F. Clark, as Prehearing Officer, that the Second Motion for Extension of Time filed on May 1, 1992, by Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company is hereby granted. It is further

ORDERED that Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company shall file the required traffic study data on or before June 4, 1992. ORDER NO. PSC-92-0471-PCO-TL DOCKET NO. 911185-TL PAGE 3

By ORDER of Commissioner Susan F. Clark, as Prehearing Officer, this <u>9th</u> day of <u>JUNE</u>, <u>1992</u>.

SUSAN F. CLARK, Commissioner and Prehearing Officer

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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.

Any party adversely affected by this order, which is preliminary, procedural or intermediate in nature, may request: 1) reconsideration within 10 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.038(2), Florida Administrative Code, if issued by a Prehearing Officer; 2) reconsideration within 15 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by the Commission; or 3) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court, in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility, or the First District Court of Appeal, in the case of a water or wastewater utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code. Judicial review of a preliminary, procedural or intermediate ruling or order is available if review of the final action will not provide an adequate remedy. Such review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described ORDER NO. PSC-92-0471-PCO-TL DOCKET NO. 911185-TL PAGE 4

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above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.