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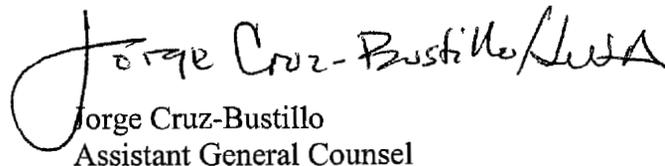
**RE: Docket No. 980119-TP -
SUPRA'S MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE**

Dear Mrs. Bayo:

Enclosed is the original and seven (7) copies of Supra Telecommunications and Information Systems, Inc.'s (Supra) Motion For Continuance to be filed in the captioned docket.

A copy of this letter is enclosed. Please mark it to indicate that the original was filed and return it to me.

Sincerely,


Jorge Cruz-Bustillo
Assistant General Counsel

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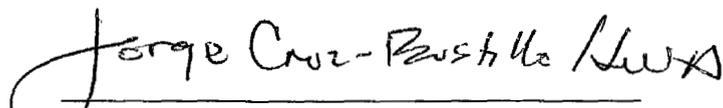
Docket No. 980119-TP

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served via E-Mail, Facsimile, Hand Delivery and/or U.S. Postal Mail this 22nd day of January, 2004 to the following:

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and Exhibits are due on January 28, 2004. The evidentiary hearing in this docket is scheduled for February 24, 25, 26, and 27, 2004. There is also a voluminous amount of discovery to review and answer in preparation for this evidentiary hearing. The transcripts for the hearing will be made available on March 5, 2004. This voluminous transcript must be reviewed in detail in preparation for drafting the post-hearing brief due on April 6, 2004 – this latter date is only two days before the presently scheduled hearing in the on-line edit-checking Docket No. 980119-TP.

4. The undersigned attorney is the only Supra lawyer assigned to the TRO docket and this on-line edit-checking docket. It is undisputed that the amount of information that must be reviewed in the TRO docket is enormous. The undersigned cannot practically prepare testimony and conduct discovery in this docket [980119] on the present time schedule and expect to provide the necessary attention and preparation for the TRO docket. If this entire docket is not continued to a later date Supra will be prejudiced.

5. The granting of this continuance will neither disadvantage BellSouth nor the Commission Staff. The continuance will allow both BellSouth and the Staff to focus on the TRO docket which must be decided in a time certain – and then allow both to prepare for hearing in Docket No. 980119-TP later on when these extreme time demands have subsided.

6. Supra brings this Motion at the instruction of the Commission Staff. Issue identification was held at 10:00 am, on January 21, 2004. At this meeting, the undersigned learned for the first time the hearing schedule for this docket. I informed the Staff and BellSouth that I was the only attorney working on the TRO and I requested that Staff move the hearing date until sometime after the TRO docket was completed. The Staff indicated that the Pre-hearing Officer had not yet executed an Order Establishing Procedure (OEP), but that the Chairman's Office had already chosen the April 8, 2004 date for a hearing. For this reason, the Staff

informed the undersigned that it was unable to move the hearing date without Supra filing a Motion to Continue.

7. At the Issue Identification meeting the undersigned asked BellSouth's counsel if he had any objection to the Motion for Continuance based on the above referenced reasons. At that time, (@10:30 am) BellSouth's counsel indicated that he would need to consult with his client on the subject of a continuance. As of this writing, Thursday, January 22, 2004, BellSouth has yet to respond. Given the expedited schedule set out for Docket No. 980119-TP, Supra is compelled to file this motion on an expedited basis.

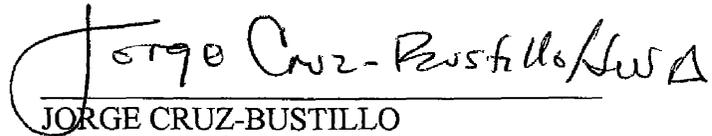
8. Supra would respectfully requests that the Commission act on this Motion in an expedited fashion.

9. For the foregoing reasons, Supra respectfully requests that this Commission Continue this entire matter for sometime in or after August 2004 and all discovery and testimony to be rescheduled accordingly.

WHEREFORE, Supra respectfully request that the Commission considers this Motion on an expedited basis and that the Commission grants this Motion for Continuance.

Respectfully submitted this 22nd of January 2004.

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