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Re: Docket No.: 040301-TP

Petition of Supra Telecommunications and Information Systems, Inc. for Arbitration with BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.

Dear Ms. Bayó:

Enclosed is BellSouth's Opposition to Supra's Motion for Leave to File Discovery One Day Late, which we ask that you file in the captioned docket.

Copies have been served to the parties shown on the attached Certificate of Service.

Sincerely,

E. Earl Edenfield, Jr.

#### **Enclosure**

cc: All Parties of Record Marshall M. Criser III Nancy B. White R. Douglas Lackey

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### BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Petition of Supra Telecommunication	ions )	
and Information Systems, Inc.'s for	)	Docket No.: 040301-TP
arbitration with BellSouth	)	
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.	)	
	)	Filed: November 15, 2004

# BELLSOUTH'S OPPOSITION TO SUPRA'S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE DISCOVERY ONE DAY LATE

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"), files this opposition to Supra Telecommunications and Information Systems, Inc.'s ("Supra") Motion for Leave to File Discovery One Day Late ("Motion") dated November 8, 2004, and says:

- 1. Supra seeks leave to propound yet another set of discovery in this proceeding; in this instance a third set of request for admissions.
- 2. In accordance with the Order Establishing Procedure (PSC-04-0809-PCO-TP) issued on August 19, 2004 in this case, all discovery was to be *completed* (not propounded) by November 5, 2004.
- 3. Depending on the timing of the Commission's ruling on Supra's Motion, BellSouth's responses to the additional discovery Supra seeks to propound on BellSouth will not be due until after the completion of the hearing on December 1 and 2, 2004.
- 4. Not only can the discovery not be *completed* before November 5, 2004, as required by the Order Establishing Procedure, under the current schedule the discovery will not even be completed before the completion of the hearing.
- 5. Supra's justification is also insufficient as the entirety of the additional discovery appears to either (1) questions that could have been asked at any point in this proceeding, or; (2)

questions related to a drawing that Supra prepared during the deposition of Kenneth Ainsworth and upon which Supra deposed Mr. Ainsworth at length.

6. Clearly, this is not the situation where Supra came upon a document after the

conclusion of a deposition and now seeks to ask additional questions. To the contrary, Supra

prepared the drawing, deposed the witness on the drawing, attached the drawing to the deposition

as an exhibit, and now (after the fact) has decided that it should have asked more detailed or

additional questions.

7. Supra's failure to ask the appropriate questions cannot serve as a basis to

propound additional discovery past the point at which discovery was to be completed, much less

propounded.

8. While BellSouth acknowledges that the consideration of motions concerning

discovery and the administration of a case are within the discretion of the Pre-Hearing Officer,

Supra has failed to establish that any such discretion should be invoked in Supra's favor.

WHEREFORE, BellSouth respectfully requests that the Pre-Hearing Officer deny

Supra's Motion.

Respectfully submitted this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November 2004.

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