BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition of SOUTHERN BELL)	DOCKET NO.	880069-TI
TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY for rate stabilization)	ORDER NO. ISSUED:	23961 1-7-91

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

MICHAEL McK. WILSON, Chairman THOMAS M. BEARD BETTY EASLEY GERALD L. GUNTER FRANK S. MESSERSMITH

ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION OF TIME TO IMPLEMENT TOLL FREE CALLING

BY THE COMMISSION:

By Order No. 23960, we ordered Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company (Southern Bell or the Company), among other things, to eliminate three specific intraLATA toll routes in the first (0-10) mileage band. One of the routes was between Port St. Lucie North and Stuart. The annual calling volume on this route is approximately \$500,000. Expanded calling for the Port St. Lucie North exchange will result in regrouping from rate group V to rate group VI, an increase of approximately \$98,000 annually. This results in a net annual reduction of \$402,000.

On December 5, 1990, Southern Bell requested that it be allowed to delay implementation of toll free calling between Port St. Lucie North and Stuart from the currently scheduled date of January 1, 1991, until May 1, 1991. The Company asserts that required changes due to the already high calling volume and anticipated stimulation once the calls become local require that it be given additional time to have the facilities in place to handle this traffic volume.

Upon consideration, we find it appropriate to grant the Company's request for an extension of time to implement toll free calling on this particular route. Accordingly, any regrouping due to the expanded calling scope shall be made simultaneously with the implementation of toll free calling. Southern Bell shall advise its subscribers in the Port St. Lucie North and Stuart exchanges of this delay. We note that EOEAS, an optional toll discount plan, will continue in effect from Port St. Lucie North to Stuart, and that Toll-Pac, another optional toll discount plan, will continue in effect from Stuart to Port St. Lucie North, until toll free calling is implemented between these exchanges. This delay in DOCUMENT NUMSER-DATE

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implementation from January 1, 1991, to May 1, 1991, results in \$134,000 of 1991's excess revenue not being disposed of. These dollars shall be added to the existing dollars remaining to be disposed of. See Order No. 23960.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company shall be granted an extension of time until May 1, 1991, to implement toll free calling between the Port St. Lucie North and Stuart exchanges, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth herein. It is further

ORDERED that this docket shall remain open.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 7th day of JANUARY , 1991 .

Division of Records and Reporting

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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.

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Any party adversely affected by the Commission's final action in this matter may request: 1) reconsideration of the decision by filing a motion for reconsideration with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting within fifteen (15) days of the issuance of this order in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code; or 2) 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 sewer utility by filing a notice of appeal with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days after the issuance of this order, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900 (a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.