

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Proposed tariff filing routing 1+)	DOCKET NO. 910877-TL
interLATA sent-paid coin calls placed at)	
LPATS stations to multiple interLATA)	ORDER NO. 25322
carriers by SOUTHERN BELL TELEPHONE AND)	
TELEGRAPH COMPANY)	ISSUED: 11/12/91

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

THOMAS M. BEARD, Chairman
 SUSAN F. CLARK
 J. TERRY DEASON
 BETTY EASLEY
 MICHAEL MCK. WILSON

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF FILING

BY THE COMMISSION:

On March 27, 1991, Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company (Southern Bell or Company) filed proposed revisions to its Access Service Tariff. The primary purpose of this filing was to concur with the Company's FCC tariff which provides for 1+ sent-paid interLATA presubscription from Southern Bell's paystations. The Company also proposed to implement reciprocal audit provisions for payment of coin sent-paid money and to add provisions for routing interexchange carrier (IXC) traffic to Traffic Operator Position System (TOPS) tandems in addition to regular routing through access tandems.

The first provision stems from a May 8, 1990 decision reached in United States of America v. Western Electric (civil action 82-0192) wherein Judge Greene ordered all regional Bell companies to provide equal access to interexchange carriers for sent-paid coin (or 1+) interLATA calls from LEC-owned, coin-equipped paystations (0+ interLATA presubscription already exists). The effect of this proposal will be to allow the Company's existing 0+ interLATA presubscribed carriers to pick up 1+ traffic which is presently being diverted to AT&T.

However, there are currently no carriers other than AT&T that have the coin control required for properly rating and handling 1+ interLATA calls, so all traffic will be diverted to AT&T until other carriers convert their switches. Under the provisions of the proposed tariff a presubscribed carrier may subcontract with another carrier to handle the 1+ traffic until the presubscribed carrier can convert its switches. This will allow carriers to begin subcontracting with each other for 1+ interLATA calls as soon as at least one carrier other than AT&T converts.

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The second provision of this proposal is to provide reciprocal audit abilities for the Company and IXCs for determining the amount of coin sent-paid revenues owed to the IXC. This provision will allow both the LEC and the IXC to audit one another to make sure the proper revenues are due and collected. These audit provisions are similar to the provisions for auditing Percent Interstate Usage amounts and other IXC/LEC transactions.

The third provision of this proposed tariff, unrelated to the other provisions, is to allow for the routing of IXC traffic through TOPS tandems. TOPS tandems have traditionally carried operator traffic, but they have recently been expanded to carry SS7 interconnection and other traffic for the LECs. IXC traffic is generally routed through the access tandems, but Southern Bell's network makes it more efficient to route traffic through its TOPS tandems in certain instances.

This provision will have no impact on Florida operations for two reasons. All Southern Bell TOPS tandems are collocated with access tandems, and Florida's average transport rate makes IXCs mostly indifferent as to where they interconnect with the LEC in a LATA. We find that the language is appropriate and significant in Florida only because it clarifies that IXC traffic may be routed in more than one way.

Upon review we find the tariff filing to be appropriate. The changes will have little or no revenue impact to Southern Bell, and the implementation of 1+ interLATA presubscription from Company paystations will further develop the concept of equal access. For these reasons we approve the proposed tariff as filed.

Therefore, based upon the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the tariff filing by Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company to route 1+ interLATA sent-paid calls placed at LPATS stations to multiple interLATA carriers and to make clarifications to the Company's Access Services Tariff is hereby approved. It is further

ORDERED that this tariff shall become effective on 10/21/91. If a timely protest is filed this tariff shall remain in effect with any increase held subject to refund pending resolution of the protest. If no timely protest is filed, this docket shall be closed.

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By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 12th
day of NOVEMBER, 1991.

STEVE TRIBBLE, Director
Division of Records and Reporting

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by: Kay Flynn
Chief, Bureau of Records

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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.

The Commission's decision on this tariff is interim in nature and will become final, unless a person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed files a petition for a formal proceeding, as provided by Rule 25-22.036(4), Florida Administrative Code, in the form provided by Rule 25-22.036(7)(a)(d) and (e), Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting at his office at 101 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870, by the close of business on 12/3/91

In the absence of such a petition, this Order shall become final on the day subsequent to the above date.

Any objection or protest filed in this docket before the issuance date of this Order is considered abandoned unless it

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satisfies the foregoing conditions and is renewed within the specified protest period.

If this Order becomes final on the date described above, any party adversely affected may request judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or by 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 of the date this Order becomes final, 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.