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Re: Case No. 920260-TL

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket are the original and 15 copies of Citizens' Prehearing Statement.

Please indicate the time and date of receipt on the enclosed duplicate of this letter and return it to our office.

Sincerely,

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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| Comprehensive Review of the |) | |
| Revenue Requirements and Rate |) | Docket No. 920260-TL |
| Stabilization Plan of Southern |) | Filed: September 20, 1996 |
| Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company |) | |
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CITIZENS' PREHEARING STATEMENT

The Citizens of Florida ("Citizens"), by and through Jack Shreve, Public Counsel, file this Prehearing Statement pursuant to Commission order no. PSC-95-0965-PCO-TL issued July 26, 1996.

Witnesses

The Citizens prefiled testimony by James A. Garver, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Broward Economic Development Council.

Exhibits

The Citizens have no exhibits to identify at this time.

Statement of Basic Position

The Commission should set aside \$2 million per year of the unspecified rate reduction to address possible adverse effects resulting from mandatory area code changes. If the Commission applies some of the unspecified rate reductions to access charges, the Commission should require IXC's to flow through the reductions to their basic toll rates (MTS).

Issues and positions

Issue 1. Below are listed the proposals of various interested parties to this proceeding with respect to the disposition of the scheduled 1996 unspecified rate reductions. Which, if any, should be approved?

Citizens' position: The Commission should adopt the proposal by Mr. Garver and establish a reserve fund to assist customers of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., who experience problems with conversion to new area codes.

Issue 2. To the extent the Commission does not approve the plans proposed by BellSouth, Public Counsel, FCTA, Palm Beach Newspapers, Inc./Florida Today and AT&T, MCI, Spring, FIXCA, Ad Hoc and McCaw, how should the Commission implement the scheduled rate reduction?

Citizens' position: If the Commission applies some of the unspecified rate reductions to access charges, the Commission should require IXC's to flow through the reductions to their basic toll rates (MTS). To the extent the Commission does not adopt any of the proposals, the Commission should reduce local rates.

Issue 3. What should be the effective dates of the approved tariffs?

Citizens' position: The tariffs should be effective as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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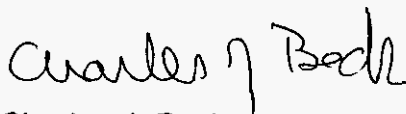
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