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Mrs. Blanca S. Bayó Director, Division of Records and Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. 991237-TP

Dear Ms. Bayó:

Enclosed please find the original and fifteen copies of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s Direct Testimony of W. Keith Milner and Jerry Hendrix, which we ask that you file in the above-referenced matter.

A copy of this letter is enclosed. Please mark it to indicate that the original was filed and return the copy to me. Copies have been served to the parties shown on the attached Certificate of Service.

Sincerely,

Lisa S. Foshee (Aut)

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1		BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.					
2		DIRECT TESTIMONY OF W. KEITH MILNER					
3		BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION					
4		DOCKET NO. 991237-TP					
5		January 31, 2000					
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8	Q.	PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, ADDRESS, AND POSITION WITH					
9		BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.					
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11	A.	My name is W. Keith Milner. My business address is 675 West					
12		Peachtree Street, Atlanta, Georgia 30375. I am Senior Director -					
13		Interconnection Services for BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.					
14		("BellSouth"). I have served in my present role since February 1996 and					
15		have been involved with the management of certain issues related to local					
16		interconnection, resale, and unbundling.					
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18	Q.	PLEASE SUMMARIZE YOUR BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE.					
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20	A.	My business career spans over 29 years and includes responsibilities in					
21		the areas of network planning, engineering, training, administration, and					
22		operations. I have held positions of responsibility with a local exchange					
23		telephone company, a long distance company, and a research and					
24		development laboratory. I have extensive experience in all phases of					
25		telecommunications network planning, deployment, and operation					

1		(including research and development) in both the domestic and				
2		international arenas.				
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4		I graduated from Fayetteville Technical Institute in Fayetteville, North				
5		Carolina in 1970 with an Associate of Applied Science in Business				
6		Administration degree. I also graduated from Georgia State University in				
7		1992 with a Master of Business Administration degree.				
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9	Q.	HAVE YOU TESTIFIED PREVIOUSLY BEFORE ANY STATE PUBLIC				
10		SERVICE COMMISSION? IF SO, BRIEFLY DESCRIBE THE SUBJECT				
11		OF YOUR TESTIMONY.				
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13	A.	I testified before the state Public Service Commissions in Alabama,				
14		Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, South Carolina, the				
15		Tennessee Regulatory Authority, and the Utilities Commission in North				
16		Carolina on the issues of technical capabilities of the switching and				
17		facilities network regarding the introduction of new service offerings,				
18		expanded calling areas, unbundling, and network interconnection.				
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20	Q.	WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY BEING FILED				
21		TODAY?				
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23	A.	In my testimony, I will address Issue Number 1 of the complaint filed by				
24		AT&T Communications of the Southern States, Inc. in this docket.				
25		BellSouth witness Hendrix will also address Issue Number 1.				

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2	Issue No. 1 – How does BellSouth apply the Carrier Common Line Charges					
3	(CCLC) to an AT&T transported toll call which involves interaction with any					
4	of th	the following BellSouth services:				
5		(a)	call forwarding;			
6		(b)	call waiting;			
7		(c)	three-way calling;			
8		(d)	foreign exchange;			
9		(e)	voice messaging that utilize call forwarding;			
10		(f)	fax processing that utilize call forwarding; and			
11		(g)	routing to paging.			
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13	Q.	WHICH PART OF THIS ISSUE ARE YOU ADDRESSING?				
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15	A.	My te	stimony will address how originating and terminating switched			
16		acces	is service is provided for the call arrangements (a) through (g). The			
17		testimony of Mr. Jerry Hendrix will address the application of the CCLC				
18		charg	es for each of the call arrangements indicated above.			
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20	Q. PLEASE DISCUSS THE NETWORK PROCESSES INVOLVED WITH					
21		EACH	OF THE CALL ARRANGEMENTS IDENTIFIED IN ISSUE NO. 1.			
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23	A.	The fo	ollowing discussion focuses upon the originating and terminating			
24		switch	ned access provided in the Local Access and Transport Area (LATA)			
25		of the	subscriber of the call arrangements at issue in this proceeding.			

Call Forwarding – A call forwarding service allows an end user customer (that is, the called party) to have calls intended for one number or location to be sent on to another number or location chosen by the called party.

This service is referenced in Section A13 of the Florida General Subscriber Service Tariff (GSST).

On an intrastate interexchange carrier (IXC)-carried call terminating in the LATA, BellSouth provides terminating switched access service from the point at which the initial call leaving the IXC's switch enters BellSouth's exchange network in the LATA. Access minutes of use are measured from the time signaling is sent to the IXC's switch by the call forwarding customer's switch indicating that the call has been forwarded and answered until the call is disconnected. The call is disconnected when either party hangs up. The call is not disconnected when it is forwarded. If the initial call to the call forwarding subscriber were disconnected, then the whole purpose of the call forwarding service would be defeated as there would be no call to forward.

Where the call is forwarded via an IXC, BellSouth provides originating switched access service, which forwards the call to the premises of the IXC for routing to the LATA of the forward-to location. These switched access minutes of use are measured from the time the IXC's switch acknowledges receipt of the forwarded call to the time the call is disconnected by the originating party of the initial call or the party to

whom the call was forwarded.

<u>Call Waiting</u> – A call waiting service utilizes an audible tone advising the end user customer on an in-progress call that another call is attempting to complete to that same line. This service is referenced in Section A13 of the Florida (GSST).

For the intrastate IXC-carried call terminated into the LATA to a call waiting customer line on an in-progress call, switched terminating access service is provided beginning from the point at which the call leaves the IXC's premises and enters the LEC's exchange network. The switched access minutes of use would be measured from the time the call is answered by the call waiting subscriber to the time the call is disconnected. For call waiting, the time the call is answered is the point in time that the end user answers the second call after putting the first call on hold. The second call is disconnected by either the calling or called party hanging up.

Whether the first call has been made to the call waiting subscriber (that is, the customer with the call waiting arrangement received the first call) or was initiated by the call waiting subscriber (that is, the customer with the call waiting arrangement originated the first call), the call is disconnected when the calling or called party hangs up. When the call waiting subscriber flashes the switch hook to answer a second call, the first call is not "disconnected" but remains connected and put on hold

waiting for the end user to flash the switch hook to take the first call off hold so conversation can resume. If this first call were disconnected, the whole purpose of the call waiting service would be defeated, as the call waiting subscriber would not be able to converse again on the original call without dialing a new call.

<u>Three-Way Calling</u> – A three-way calling service enables an end user customer to add a third party to an active call without operator assistance.

This service is referenced in Section A13 of the Florida (GSST).

For intrastate IXC-carried calls, switched access service is utilized for three-way calling arrangements in situations in which the call between the three-way calling customer and either or both of the other two parties is an intrastate IXC-carried call. For instance, an intrastate IXC-carried call to an end user subscriber of three-way calling would involve terminating switched access service from the time the call leaves the IXC's switch and enters the LEC's network to the time the call is disconnected by either the called or the calling party. When this call is put on hold momentarily for the three-way calling subscriber to add a second call to the first call, the first call is not disconnected. As has been discussed previously in connection with call waiting, if the call which is put on hold were disconnected, the whole purpose of the three-way calling arrangement would be defeated as there would be no call in existence to add back to the three-way calling arrangement. In addition, if it were considered to be disconnected, there would be no switched access minutes of use

measured from that point forward either in the distant LATA or in the LATA of the three-way calling subscriber for this call because 1) a "disconnect" ends the measurement of switched access minutes of use in both LATAs for all usage-based switched access charges for the call, and 2) once the call is taken off hold, there would be no new acknowledgement or answer supervision to re-start such measurement in either LATA.

In order to add the second call, the three-way calling subscriber flashes the switch hook which puts the first call on hold, and dials the second number. If the second call is an intrastate IXC-carried call, originating switched access is involved for the switched access provided to the IXC up to the point where the call enters the IXC's network. Switched access minutes of use are measured from the time the call is acknowledged by the IXC's switch until the call is disconnected by either the calling or the called party.

Foreign Exchange, Voice Mail, and FAX Provider – The Foreign Exchange (FX) service, referenced in Section A9 of the Florida GSST, connects an end user customer's location to a distant (foreign) central office located outside the end user customer's local calling area (exchange) thereby creating the appearance of the end user customer's physical presence in that distant (foreign) central office. By comparison, voice mail or fax processing services utilize call forwarding services, as referenced in Section A13 of the Florida GSST, to enable an end user

customer to forward calls ordinarily terminating at the end user customer's number to either voice mail or fax processing systems.

Switched access service is utilized for the Foreign Exchange, voice mail, and fax service provider arrangements at issue in this proceeding. A call forwarding customer may have its calls forwarded to a voice mail or fax provider's service. An intrastate IXC-carried call to the call forwarding customer would involve access as has previously been discussed in my testimony. The subsequent call to the forward-to location, that is, to the voice mail or fax provider's local exchange service number, would be considered a local (or intraLATA) call for which additional intrastate access charges would not apply if the forward-to location is in the same local calling area as the end voice mail or fax service customer.

Intrastate IXC-carried calls directly to the voice mail or fax provider and intrastate IXC-carried calls to a subscriber of BellSouth's Foreign Exchange (FX) service would involve switched access service to the same extent as any other intrastate IXC-carried calls made to a local exchange service subscriber. Terminating switched access service would begin physically at the IXC's premises. Measurement of the terminating access minutes of use would begin when the switch serving the called party (the voice mail or fax service provider or the BellSouth FX service subscriber) receives signaling indicating the called party (the voice mail or fax provider or the BellSouth FX service subscriber) has answered the call.

1 2 Any intrastate IXC-carried calls initiated by the BellSouth FX service 3 subscriber would also involve switched access. The originating switched 4 access would terminate at the premises of the IXC, and measurement of the originating switched access minutes of use would begin when the IXC 5 6 acknowledges receipt of the call and would end when either the calling party (the BellSouth FX service subscriber) or the called party 7 8 disconnects. 9 **Routing to Paging** 10 Mr. Hendrix addresses this call arrangement in his testimony. 11 12 DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY? 13 Q. 14

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Yes.