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April 26, 2000

Mrs. Blanca S. Bayó
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Florida Public Service Commission
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Re: 991378-TL (Show Cause Docket)

Dear Ms. Bayó:

Enclosed is an original and fifteen copies of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s Responses and Objections to Public Counsel's Revised First Request for Production of Documents and Motion for a Temporary Protective Order, which we ask that you file in the above-captioned 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

Nancy B. White

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cc: All parties of record Marshall M. Criser III R. Douglas Lackey

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE Docket No. 991378-TL

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served via

Hand Delivery this 26th day of April, 2000 to the following:

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Initiation of show cause)
proceedings against BellSouth) DOCKET NO. 991378-TL
Telecommunications, Inc., for)
violation of service standards.)
) FILED: April 26, 2000

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.'S RESPONSES AND OBJECTIONS TO PUBLIC COUNSEL'S REVISED FIRST REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS AND MOTION FOR A TEMPORARY PROTECTIVE ORDER

COMES NOW, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"), and files (1) pursuant to Rule 25-22.034, Florida Administrative Code, and Rule 1.350, Florida Rules of Civil Procedure, its Responses and Objections to the Office of Public Counsel's ("Public Counsel") Revised First Request for Production of Documents dated November 2, 1999 and (2) pursuant to Rule 25-22.006(5)(c), Florida Administrative code, its Motion for Temporary Protective Order.

MOTION FOR TEMPORARY PROTECTIVE ORDER

Some of the documents that will be delivered to or made available for review by Public Counsel contain proprietary, confidential business information that should not be publicly disclosed. Thus, pursuant to Rule 25-22.006(5)(c), Florida Administrative Code, BellSouth moves the Prehearing Officer to issue a Temporary Protective Order exempting these documents from § 119.07(1), Florida Statutes. These documents contain, among other things, nonregulated

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operations information, and other proprietary confidential business information. Such information is specifically included as proprietary confidential business information pursuant to § 364.183(3)(f), Florida Statutes. If Public Counsel subsequently notifies BellSouth that any of the proprietary documents are to be used in a proceeding before the Commission, BellSouth will, in accordance with Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, file a detailed Motion for Protective Order specifically addressing each of the documents identified.

GENERAL RESPONSES

- 1. BellSouth objects to Public Counsel's proposed "Instruction" relating to details of privileged documents. To the extent a document responsive to any of the requests is subject to an applicable privilege, some of the information requested by Public Counsel would be similarly privileged and therefore not subject to discovery. Notwithstanding this objection, BellSouth agrees to identify any documents withheld on the basis of privilege.
- 2. With regard to Public Counsel's definition of "document" or "documents", BellSouth has made a diligent, good faith attempt to locate documents responsive to the scope of Public Counsel's individual requests for documents.
- 3. BellSouth Objects to Public Counsel's definition of "you" and "your."

 It appears that Public Counsel, through its definition of these words, is

attempting to obtain discovery of information in the possession, custody, or control of entities that are not parties to this docket. Requests for Production may only be directed to parties, and any attempt by Public Counsel to obtain discovery from non-parties should be prohibited. <u>See</u> Rule 1.340, Florida Rules of Civil Procedure; Broward v. Kerr, 454 So. 2d 1068 (4th D.C.A. 1984).

- 4. BellSouth does not believe it was Public Counsel's intent to require BellSouth to produce again the same documents previously produced in other dockets, but to the extent it does, BellSouth objects on the basis that such a request would be unduly burdensome, oppressive, and unnecessary, and for these reasons is prohibited.
- 5. BellSouth objects to the specific time and place designated by Public Counsel for the production of documents for the reasons that the designation is not reasonable, but has no objection to producing the documents that are responsive and to which no other objection is made, at a mutually agreed upon time and place.
- 6. The following Specific Responses are given subject to the abovestated General Responses and Objections.

SPECIFIC RESPONSES

- 7. With respect to Request No. 1, BellSouth will produce responsive documents that are in its possession, custody, or control at a mutually convenient time and place subject to the Motion for Temporary Protective Order set forth above.
- 8. With respect to Request No. 2, BellSouth will produce responsive documents that are in its possession, custody, or control at a mutually convenient time and place subject to the Motion for Temporary Protective Order set forth above.
- 9. With respect to Request No. 3, BellSouth will produce responsive documents that are in its possession, custody, or control at a mutually convenient time and place subject to the Motion for Temporary Protective Order set forth above.
- 10. With respect to Request No. 4, BellSouth will produce responsive documents that are in its possession, custody, or control at a mutually convenient time and place subject to the Motion for Temporary Protective Order set forth above.
- 11. With respect to Request No. 5, BellSouth will produce no later than April 28, 2000 responsive documents that are in its possession, custody, or control subject to the Motion for Temporary Protective Order set forth above.

- 12. With respect to Request No. 6, BellSouth will produce responsive documents that are in its possession, custody, or control at a mutually convenient time and place subject to the Motion for Temporary Protective Order set forth above.
- 13. With respect to Request No. 7, BellSouth will produce responsive documents that are in its possession, custody, or control at a mutually convenient time and place subject to the Motion for Temporary Protective Order set forth above.
- 14. With respect to Request No. 8, BellSouth will produce responsive documents that are in its possession, custody, or control at a mutually convenient time and place subject to the Motion for Temporary Protective Order set forth above.
- 15. With respect to Request No. 9, BellSouth will produce responsive documents that are in its possession, custody, or control at a mutually convenient time and place subject to the Motion for Temporary Protective Order set forth above.
- 16. With respect to Request No. 10, BellSouth will produce responsive documents that are in its possession, custody, or control at a mutually convenient time and place subject to the Motion for Temporary Protective Order set forth above.

- 17. With respect to Request No. 11, BellSouth will produce responsive documents that are in its possession, custody, or control at a mutually convenient time and place subject to the Motion for Temporary Protective Order set forth above.
- 18. With respect to Request No. 12, BellSouth will produce responsive documents that are in its possession, custody, or control at a mutually convenient time and place subject to the Motion for Temporary Protective Order set forth above.
- 19. With respect to Request No. 13, BellSouth will produce responsive documents that are in its possession, custody, or control at a mutually convenient time and place subject to the Motion for Temporary Protective Order set forth above.
- 20. With respect to Request No. 14, BellSouth will produce responsive documents that are in its possession, custody, or control at a mutually convenient time and place subject to the Motion for Temporary Protective Order set forth above.
- 21. With respect to Request No. 15, BellSouth will produce responsive documents that are in its possession, custody, or control at a mutually convenient time and place subject to the Motion for Temporary Protective Order set forth above.

- 22. With respect to Request No. 16, BellSouth will produce responsive documents that are in its possession, custody, or control at a mutually convenient time and place subject to the Motion for Temporary Protective Order set forth above.
- 23. With respect to Request No. 17, BellSouth will produce responsive documents that are in its possession, custody, or control at a mutually convenient time and place subject to the Motion for Temporary Protective Order set forth above.
- 24. With respect to Request No. 18, BellSouth will produce responsive documents that are in its possession, custody, or control at a mutually convenient time and place subject to the Motion for Temporary Protective Order set forth above.
- 25. With respect to Request No. 19, BellSouth will produce responsive documents that are in its possession, custody, or control at a mutually convenient time and place subject to the Motion for Temporary Protective Order set forth above.
- 26. With respect to Request No. 20, BellSouth has no responsive documents.
- 27. With respect to Request No. 21, BellSouth has no responsive documents.

Respectfully submitted this 26th day of April, 2000.

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