BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition by Verizon Florida Inc. to reform intrastate network access and basic local telecommunications rates in accordance with Section 364.164, Florida Statutes.

In re: Petition by Sprint-Florida, Incorporated to reduce intrastate switched network access rates to interstate parity in revenue-neutral manner pursuant to Section 364.164(1), Florida Statutes.

In re: Petition for implementation of Section 364.164, Florida Statutes, by rebalancing rates in a revenue-neutral manner through decreases in intrastate switched access charges with offsetting rate adjustments for basic services, by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.

In re: Flow-through of LEC switched access reductions by IXCs, pursuant to Section 364.163(2), Florida Statutes.

DOCKET NO. 030867-TL

DOCKET NO. 030868-TL

DOCKET NO. 030869-TL

DOCKET NO. 030961-TI
ORDER NO. PSC-03-1384-CFO-TL
ISSUED: December 8, 2003

ORDER GRANTING BELLSOUTH'S REQUESTS FOR SPECIFIED CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION (DOCUMENT NOS. 08022-03, 08043-03, 08044-03, 08045-03, 08671-03,09412-03, 09952-03, 10204-03 AND 10338-03

The Florida Legislature enacted the Tele-Competition Innovation and Infrastructure Enhancement Act (Tele-Competition Act or Act) which became effective on May 23, 2003. On August 27, 2003, Verizon Florida Inc. (Verizon), Sprint-Florida, Incorporated

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(Sprint), and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (BellSouth), each filed petitions pursuant to Section 364.164, Florida Statutes. Dockets Nos. 030867-TL (Verizon), 030868-TL (Sprint), and 030869-TL (BellSouth) were opened to address these petitions in the time frame provided by Section 364.164, Florida Statutes. On September 4, 2003, the Order Establishing Procedure and Consolidating Dockets for Hearing, Order No. PSC-03-0994-PCO-TL, was issued. At the September 15, 2003, Agenda Conference, the Commission decided to hold public hearings in the above referenced dockets. On November 4, 2003, Order No. PSC-03-1240-PCO-TL was issued, consolidating Docket No. 030961 into this Docket and modifying certain procedures therein.

On August 27, 2003, BellSouth filed a request for confidential In its request, BellSouth seeks confidential classification. treatment of certain documents included in BellSouth's prefiled testimony of witnesses D. Daonne Caldwell and Steve Bigelow, and attached as exhibits thereto (Document Nos. 08022-03, 08043-03, 08044-03 and 08045) (See Attachment A to this Order). Thereafter, on September 12, 2003, BellSouth filed its revised request, seeking confidential treatment of certain documents included in BellSouth's prefiled testimony of witnesses D. Daonne Caldwell and Steve Bigelow, and attached as exhibits thereto (Document No. 08671-03) (See Attachment B to this Order). On September 30, 2003, BellSouth filed a request, seeking confidential treatment of exhibits to the revised testimony of witness Steve Bigelow (Document No. 09412-03) (See Attachment C to this Order). On October 10, 2003, BellSouth filed a request, seeking confidential treatment of BellSouth's Responses to Citizen's 1st Interrogatories, Item No. 20 and Requests for Production Item Nos. 2-5, 7, 11, 15, and 18, filed September 18, 2003 and Supplemental Response to Item No. 6, Attachment 2. (See Attachment D to this Order). (Document No. 09952-03) October 17, 2003, BellSouth filed a request, seeking confidential treatment of BellSouth's Responses to Citizen's 3rd Requests for Production of Documents Item No. 39, filed September 26, 2003 (Document No. 10204-03) (See Attachment E to this Order). October 21, 2003, BellSouth filed a request, seeking confidential treatment of BellSouth's Response to Citizen's 4th Requests for 41, filed September Production of Documents Item No. 2003 (Document No. 10338-03) (See Attachment F to this Order). Attachments A-F, attached hereto and incorporated herein, outline the location and specific justification for the requests addressed

herein. BellSouth asserts that it treats this information as confidential and that it has not otherwise been released.

Florida law presumes that documents submitted to governmental agencies shall be public records. The only exceptions to this presumption are the specific statutory exemptions provided in the law and exemptions granted by governmental agencies pursuant to the specific terms of a statutory provision. This presumption is based on the concept that government should operate in the "sunshine." Rule 25-22.006(4)(c), Florida Administrative Code, provides that it is the Company's burden to demonstrate that the documents fall into one of the statutory examples set forth in Section 364.183, Florida Statutes, or to demonstrate that the information is proprietary confidential information, the disclosure of which will cause the Company or its ratepayers harm.

Section 364.183(3), Florida Statutes, in pertinent part, provides:

"proprietary confidential term business information" means information, regardless of form or characteristics, which is owned or controlled by the person or company, is intended to be and is treated by the person or company as private in that the disclosure of the information would cause harm to the ratepayers or the person's or company's business operations, and has not been disclosed unless disclosed pursuant to a statutory provision, an order of a court or administrative body, agreement private that provides that information will not be released to the public.

Commission staff has evaluated each of the documents for which BellSouth seeks confidential classification. Based on the definition of proprietary confidential business information in Section 364.183(3), Florida Statutes, it appears that the material described therein is proprietary business information in accordance with Section 364.183, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code. Disclosure of this information would give BellSouth's competitors an artificial competitive advantage, allowing them to successfully compete against BellSouth without the usual market trial and error. As such, BellSouth's Request for

Specified Confidential Classification of the Documents identified in Attachment A through F is hereby granted.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by Commissioner Rudolph "Rudy" Bradley, as Prehearing Officer, that BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s Requests for Confidential Classification of Document Nos. 08022-03, 08043-03, 08044-03, 08045-03, 08671-03, 09412-03, 09952-03, 10204-03 and 10338-03, as set forth in the body of this Order and also in Attachments A through F, which are incorporated herein by reference, are hereby granted. It is further

ORDERED that pursuant to Section 364.183, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, the confidentiality granted to the material specified herein shall expire eighteen (18) months from the date of the issuance of this Order, in the absence of a renewed request for confidentiality pursuant to Section 364.183, Florida Statutes. It is further

ORDERED that this Order will be the only notification by the Commission to the parties concerning the expiration of the confidentiality time period.

By ORDER of Commissioner Rudolph "Rudy" Bradley, as Prehearing Officer, this <u>8th</u> day of <u>December</u>, <u>2003</u>.

RUDOLPH "RUDY" BRADLEY

Commissioner and Prehearing Officer

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.569(1), 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.

Mediation may be available on a case-by-case basis. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to a hearing.

Any party adversely affected by this order, which is preliminary, procedural or intermediate in nature, may request: (1) reconsideration within 10 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.0376, 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 wastewater utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed Director, Division of the Commission Clerk the Administrative Services, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code. Judicial review of a preliminary, procedural or intermediate ruling or order is available if review of the final action will not provide an adequate remedy. review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.

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REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION OF EXHIBITS TO THE TESTIMONY OF D.DAONNE CALDWELL AND STEVE BIGELOW FILED IN BELLSOUTH'S PETITION FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF SECTION 364.164, FLORIDA STATUTES.

Explanation of Proprietary Information

- 1. This information reflects BellSouth's cost to provide certain services. The public disclosure of this information would provide BellSouth's competitors with an advantage in that they would know the price or rate below which BellSouth could not provide the service. BellSouth is not able to obtain its competitors' costs to provide service. Therefore, it would be inequitable and unfair for BellSouth's competitors to have access to BellSouth's cost information. For these reasons, the public disclosure of the information would impair the competitive business of BellSouth, and the information is, therefore, entitled to confidential classification under the terms of Florida Statutes, Section 364.183(3)(e). This information is valuable and is used by BellSouth in conducting its business and BellSouth strives to keep it secret. Therefore, this information should be classified as proprietary, confidential business information pursuant to Section 364.183 Florida Statutes and is exempt from the Open Records Act.
- 2. Some of this information includes prices negotiated by BellSouth with a specific vendor, Telcordia. Public disclosure of this information would impair BellSouth's ability to contract for goods and services on favorable terms. Also, all of the information is proprietary to a vendor, Telcordia. This information relates to the SCIS (Switching Cost Information System) model developed by Telcordia. There is also information in the SNC (Switched Network Calculator) model of BellSouth that is derived from the SCIS. The SCIS is a model that Telcordia considers to be proprietary, and BellSouth is contractually bound by an agreement with Telcordia to treat it as such. This model incorporates information given to Telcordia by switch vendors, as well as programming algorithms developed by Telcordia to translate the switch vendor information into cost profiles for various applications. This computer model has been developed by Telcordia over the course of more than a decade at a cost of tens of millions of dollars. If any of this

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information were made publicly available, the value of Telcordia's model and the related services it provides would decrease dramatically. Accordingly, this information is also both competitively sensitive and a trade secret. Therefore, this information should be classified as proprietary, confidential business information pursuant to Section 364.183(3)(a), (d) and (e), Florida Statutes and is exempt from the Open Records Act.

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CALDWELL'S EXHIBITS	
DDC-1 (Entire Document & CDs of Basic Local service Study & BSTLM Loop Model)	I
DDC-2 Page 1-2 (Column D, E, & F)	1
DDC-4 (Non-Recurring Cost Column)	1
SCIS model developed by Telcordia (Entire Document and CD)	2
BIGELOW'S EXHIBITS EXHIBIT SB1	
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Page 9 of 13, Column 1, 2, & 3	1
Page 11 of 13, Column 10, 11, 12	1
Page 12 of 13, Column 1, 2, 3	1

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REVISED REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION OF EXHIBITS TO THE TESTIMONY OF D.DAONNE CALDWELL AND STEVE BIGELOW FILED IN BELLSOUTH'S PETITION FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF SECTION 364.164, FLORIDA STATUTES.

Explanation of Proprietary Information

- 1. This information reflects BellSouth's cost to provide certain services. The public disclosure of this information would provide BellSouth's competitors with an advantage in that they would know the price or rate below which BellSouth could not provide the service. BellSouth is not able to obtain its competitors' costs to provide service. Therefore, it would be inequitable and unfair for BellSouth's competitors to have access to BellSouth's cost information. For these reasons, the public disclosure of the information would impair the competitive business of BellSouth, and the information is, therefore, entitled to confidential classification under the terms of Florida Statutes, Section 364.183(3)(e). This information is valuable and is used by BellSouth in conducting its business and BellSouth strives to keep it secret. Therefore, this information should be classified as proprietary, confidential business information pursuant to Section 364.183 Florida Statutes and is exempt from the Open Records Λct.
- 2. Some of this information includes prices negotiated by BellSouth with a specific vendor, Telcordia. Public disclosure of this information would impair BellSouth's ability to contract for goods and services on favorable terms. Also, all of the information is proprietary to a vendor, Telcordia. This information relates to the SCIS (Switching Cost Information System) model developed by Telcordia. There is also information in the SNC (Switched Network Calculator) model of BellSouth that is derived from the SCIS. The SCIS is a model that Telcordia considers to be proprietary, and BellSouth is contractually bound by an agreement with Telcordia to treat it as such. This model incorporates information given to Telcordia by switch vendors, as well as programming algorithms developed by Telcordia to translate the switch vendor information into cost profiles for various applications. This computer model has been developed by Telcordia over the course of more than a decade at a cost of tens of millions of dollars. If any of this

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information were made publicly available, the value of Telcordia's model and the related services it provides would decrease dramatically. Accordingly, this information is also both competitively sensitive and a trade secret. Therefore, this information should be classified as proprietary, confidential business information pursuant to Section 364.183(3)(a), (d) and (e), Florida Statutes and is exempt from the Open Records Act.

LOCATION	REASON
CALDWELL'S EXHIBITS	
DDC-1 (Revised) Section 1, Page 5, Column B,C, D, & E Section 1, Page 6, Column B, C, D & E Appendix A, Pages 1-6 Appendix B, Pages 1-6 Appendix J, Pages 1-10 and CDs of Basic Local service Study & BSTLM Loop Model	1 1 1 1 1
DDC-2 Page 1-2 (Column D, E, & F)	1
DDC-4 (Non-Recurring Cost Column)	1
SCIS model developed by Telcordia (Entire Document and CD)	2

BIGELOW'S EXHIBITS

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REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION OF EXHIBITS TO THE REVISED DIRECT TESTIMONY OF STEVE BIGELOW FILED IN BELLSOUTH'S PETITION FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF SECTION 364.164, FLORIDA STATUTES.

Explanation of Proprietary Information

!. This information reflects BellSouth's cost to provide certain services. The public disclosure of this information would provide BellSouth's competitors with an advantage in that they would know the price or rate below which BellSouth could not provide the service. BellSouth is not able to obtain its competitors' costs to provide service. Therefore, it would be inequitable and unfair for BellSouth's competitors to have access to BellSouth's cost information. For these reasons, the public disclosure of the information would impair the competitive business of BellSouth, and the information is, therefore, entitled to confidential classification under the terms of Florida Statutes, Section 364.183(3)(e). This information is valuable and is used by BellSouth in conducting its business and BellSouth strives to keep it secret. Therefore, this information should be classified as proprietary, confidential business information pursuant to Section 364.183 Florida Statutes and is exempt from the Open Records Act.

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Explanation of Proprietary Information

- 1. This information reflects BellSouth's cost to provide certain services. The public disclosure of this information would provide BellSouth's competitors with a competitive advantage in that they would know BellSouth's costs in providing certain services. Furthermore, the disclosure of this information would impair BellSouth's ability for goods and services because its competitors will know BellSouth's pricing and cost information and any respective analysis. This information is valuable, it is used by BellSouth in conducting its business and BellSouth strives to keep it secret. Therefore, such information should be classified as proprietary, confidential business information pursuant to 364.183, Florida Statues and is exempt from the Open Records Act.
- 2. This information contains business information related to competitive interests of BellSouth that is proprietary to BellSouth. Disclosure of this data would impair the competitive business and cause harm to BellSouth. Consequently, this information should be classified as proprietary, confidential business information pursuant to Section 364.183, Florida Statutes and is exempt from the Open Records Act.
- 3. This information contains competitive business information. This information is valuable, it is used by BellSouth in conducting its business and BellSouth strives to keep it secret. This information was purchased from an individual marketing research firm, hired on behalf of BellSouth to conduct telecommunications market research. Therefore, such information is trade secret which should be classified as proprietary, confidential business information, pursuant to Section 364.183, Florida Statues and is exempt from the Open Records Act.

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 This information contains business information related to competitive interests of BellSouth that is proprietary to BellSouth. Disclosure of this data would impair the competitive business and cause harm to BellSouth. Consequently, this information should be classified as proprietary, confidential business information pursuant to Section 364.183, Florida Statutes and is exempt from the Open Records Act.

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REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION OF BELLSOUTH'S RESPONSE TO OPC'S 4th REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS, POD NO. 41 FILED SEPTEMBER 29, 2003, IN FLORIDA DOCKET NO. 030869-TL

Explanation of Proprietary Information

- This information reflects vendor specific pricing negotiated by BellSouth. Public disclosure of this
 information would impair BellSouth's ability to contract for goods and/or services on favorable terms.
 Pursuant to Section 364.183, Florida Statues such information is classified as proprietary, confidential
 business information which is exempt from the Open Records Act.
- 2. This information reflects BellSouth's cost to provide certain services. The public disclosure of this information would provide BellSouth's competitors with an advantage in that they would know the price or rate below which BellSouth could not provide the service, therefore, it would be inequitable and unfair for BellSouth's competitors to have access to BellSouth's cost information. In addition, this information is valuable, it is used by BellSouth in conducting its business and BellSouth strives to keep it secret. Therefore, such information is a trade secret which should be classified as proprietary, confidential business information pursuant to 364.183, Florida Statues and is exempt from the Open Records Act.

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