

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Consideration of
BellSouth Telecommunications,
Inc.'s entry into interLATA
services pursuant to Section 271
of the Federal
Telecommunications Act of 1996.

DOCKET NO. 960786-TL
ORDER NO. PSC-97-0973-PCO-TL
ISSUED: August 13, 1997

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

After the close of business on Friday, July 25, 1997, the Florida Competitive Carriers Association (FCCA) served its Seventh Set of Interrogatories and its Third Request for Production of Documents on BellSouth Telecommunications Inc., (BellSouth). The certificate of service accompanying the documents incorrectly identified the interrogatories as FCCA's sixth set of interrogatories. The mistake was corrected on Monday, July 28, 1997, with the service of documents identified as FCCA'S Amended Seventh Set of Interrogatories.

On July 30, 1997, BellSouth filed its Motion for Extension of Time to File Objections to FCCA's Seventh Set of Interrogatories and Third Request for Production of Documents. In its Motion, BellSouth requests a five-day extension to file objections to FCCA's request. BellSouth contends that FCCA's mislabeled service late Friday, even though it was corrected the following Monday, effectively narrowed the five-day response time by three days. BellSouth further contends that granting this order will in no way prejudice FCCA or any other party to this matter, but will give BellSouth adequate time to analyze the discovery and frame objections. FCCA filed its response to BellSouth's Motion for Extension of Time on August 1, 1997, and indicated that it has no objection to the requested extension.

The requested extension of time is reasonable in view of the facts that the service of mislabeled interrogatories occurred after regular business hours on Friday, July 25, 1997, which effectively narrowed the allowed response time by three days.

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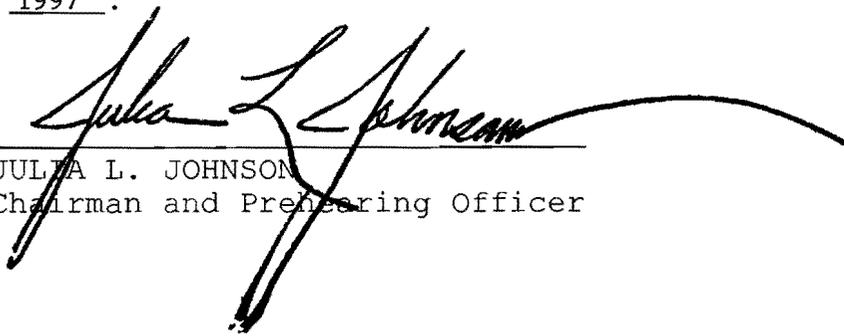
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Based on the foregoing, it is therefore

ORDERED by Chairman Julia L. Johnson, as Prehearing Officer, that BellSouth Telecommunications Inc.'s Motion for Extension of Time to File Objections to FCCA's Seventh Set of Interrogatories and Third Request for Production of Documents is granted. It is further

ORDERED that BellSouth shall respond to FCCA's Seventh Set of Interrogatories and Third Request for Production of Documents on or before August 4, 1997.

By ORDER of Chairman Julia L. Johnson, as Prehearing Officer, this 13th day of August, 1997.



JULIA L. JOHNSON
Chairman 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.

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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, if issued by a Prehearing Officer; (2) reconsideration within 15 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by the Commission; or (3) 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 with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, 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. Such review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.