BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: PROPOSED TARIFF FILING BY AT&T COMMUNICATIONS OF THE SOUTHERN STATES, INC. TO INTRODUCE ACCUNET (R) SPECTRUM OF DIGITAL SERVICES (ASDS). (T-89-429 8/18/89)

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

MICHAEL McK. WILSON, Chairman THOMAS M, BEARD BETTY EASLEY GERALD L, GUNTER JOHN T, HERNDON

ORDEP APPROVING TARIFF

BY THE COMMISSION:

On August 18, 1989, AT&T Communications of the Southern States, Inc., (ATT-C) submitted a tariff proposal to introduce Accunet (R) Spectrum of Digital Services ASDS to its intrastate Channel Services Tariff. ATT-C states that ASDS will initially be offered in the Miami, Jacksonville, Orlando and Tampa locations which already are equipped with digital technology in their network. ATT-C projects that other locations will have this service available in the first quarter of 1990.

According to ATT-C ASDS will provide digital inter-office channel transport over a common core digital network between ATT-C central offices at various bit rates that can be combined with either digital or analog local channels for end-to-end service. The common core building block is a basic digital channel that provides either 56 Kbps or 64 Kbps of digital transmission capacity. When the ASDS 64 Kbps channels are assigned consecutive time slots on the 1.544 Mbps transmission facility, ASDS provides usable bit rates of 128, 256, 384, 512, and 768 Kbps to meet customers' intermediate bit rate transmission requirements.

Alledgedly, ASDS will provide customers with cost-effective, end-to-end digital service for synchronous, two-way data applications, and flexibility to tailor their

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networks with intermediate bit rate capabilities according to their specific requirements.

The ASDS rate structure consists of a two-part monthly rate that includes a "Fixed" rate element that applies to each Inter-Office Channel regardless of mileage, and a mileage sensitive "per mile" rate element, for the 56/64 Kbps channel and for each of the intermediate bit rate channels. The three mileage bands will be: 1-50 miles, 51-100 miles, and over 101 miles.

The service architecture for ASDS is comprised of digital facilities between ATT-C central offices and 1.544 Mbps, 56 Kbps Digital Data, Voice Grade and Digital 56/64 Kbps, Local Channel access. The customers most likely to transition to ASDS are exiting DATAPHONE Digital service users who do not require 99.5% error free performance and ACCUNET T1.5 customers who are not utilizing the full capacity of that service.

ATT-C has projected that approximately twenty-five new customers will initially benefit from this service which will provide the company with an estimated annual increase in net revenues of \$150,000.

ATT-C states it prepared a long run incremental cost study for identifying the various rates elements, for computing their costs and for establishing appropriate rates which cover their relevant costs. After review of the information provided, it appears that the proposed rates cover the related costs. Based on the foregoing, we find that ATT-C's proposed tariff should be approved.

Based on the foregoing, it is hereby

ORDERED that AT&T Communications of the Southern States, Inc.'s proposed tariff filing to introduce Accunet (R) Spectrum of Digital Services is approved to the extent outlined in the body of this order. It is further

ORDERED that this docket is closed.

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By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this <u>30th</u> day of <u>OCTOBER</u>, <u>1989</u>.

STEVE TRIBBLE, Director Division of Records and Reporting

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by: Kay Hughn Chief, Bureau of Records

NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.59(4), 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.

Any party adversely affected by the Commission's final action in this matter may request: 1) reconsideration of the decision by filing a motion for reconsideration with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting within fifteen (15) days of the issuance of this order in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, 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 sewer utility by filing a notice of appeal with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days after the issuance of this order, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900(a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.