

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Proposed tariff filing ) DOCKET NO. 930506-TL  
to require interexchange ) ORDER NO. PSC-93-1119-FOF-TL  
carriers to provide percent ) ISSUED: August 2, 1993  
interstate usage factors for )  
switched transport facilities by )  
BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, )  
INC. d/b/a SOUTHERN BELL )  
TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY )  

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The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

J. TERRY DEASON, Chairman  
SUSAN F. CLARK  
JULIA L. JOHNSON  
LUIS J. LAUREDO

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF FILING

BY THE COMMISSION:

On October 16, 1992 the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) released its Local Transport Restructure Order in FCC Docket No. 91-213. In that Order the FCC directed all local exchange companies (LECs) to file local transport restructure tariffs with the FCC by August 2, 1993. The new rate structure for local transport services shall be implemented by November 1, 1993. On May 19, 1993, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company (Southern Bell or the Company) filed tariff revisions proposing to require Interexchange Carriers (IXCs) to provide new Percent Interstate Usage (PIU) factors by September 1, 1993, for switched transport facilities.

Southern Bell is proposing this tariff filing prior to its interstate and intrastate local transport restructure filings in order to properly administer billing for the new PIU elements. The tariff will require the IXCs to report the flat-rated PIU factors by September 1, 1993, to allow for proper bill information to be loaded into Southern Bell's Carrier Automated Billing System (CABS). Without obtaining the PIU factors from the IXCs by this date, the Company contends that it could not properly bill for the new elements beginning November 1, 1993.

Due to the restructure, the IXCs will be required to report PIU factors for three new flat-rated elements: Switched Local

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Channel, Dedicated Interoffice Channel, and Channelization Equipment. The PIU factor provided for each of the flat-rated elements shall reflect the combination of all traffic which traverses such elements on a statewide, LATA or billing account number on a LEC specific basis.

Three usage sensitive elements will reflect the PIU reported for FGA, FGB, 700, 800, and 900 for the fourth quarter 1993. The PIU for these three elements will mirror the PIU factor for Carrier Common Line, Line Termination and Local Switching. No reporting will be needed by the IXCs for Access Tandem Switching, Interconnection, and Switched Common Interoffice Channel.

We believe that this filing is appropriate. Southern Bell will begin billing by November 1, 1993. Thus, it is reasonable to require the IXCs to provide that information by September 1, 1993, so that Southern Bell will have adequate time to load the new PIU factors and billing information into its billing system. Accordingly, we approve the tariff as filed, effective July 15, 1993.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company's tariff proposing to require interexchange carriers to provide Percent Interstate Usage factors for switched transport facilities beginning September 1, 1993, is hereby approved. It is further

ORDERED that this tariff shall become effective July 15, 1993. It is further

ORDERED that if a protest is filed in accordance with the requirement set forth below, the tariff shall remain in effect with any increase in revenues held subject to refund pending resolution of the protest. It is further

ORDERED that if no protest is filed in accordance with the requirement set forth below, this docket shall be closed.

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By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this 2nd day  
of August, 1993.



STEVE TRIBBLE, Director  
Division of Records and Reporting

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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.

The Commission's decision on this tariff is interim in nature and will become final, unless a person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed files a petition for a formal proceeding, as provided by Rule 25-22.036(4), Florida Administrative Code, in the form provided by Rule 25-22.036(7)(a)(d) and (e), Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting at his office at 101 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870, by the close of business on August 23, 1993.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become final on the day subsequent to the above date.

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Any objection or protest filed in this docket before the issuance date of this Order is considered abandoned unless it satisfies the foregoing conditions and is renewed within the specified protest period.

If this Order becomes final on the date described above, any party adversely affected may request judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or by the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water or wastewater 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 of the date this Order becomes final, 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.