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Ms. Blanca S. Bayo, Director Division of Records and Reporting Floria Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re: Docket Nos. 970172-TP, 970173-TP and 970281-TL

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Enclosed for filing in the above dockets are the original and fifteen (15) copies of Vista-United Telecommunications' Prehearing Statement.

We are also submitting the Prehearing Statement on a 3.5" high-density diskette generated on a DOS computer in WordPerfect 5.1 format.

Please acknowledge receipt and filing of the above by stamping the duplicate copy of this letter and returning the same to this writer.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition by MCI
Telecommunications Corporation
for an order requiring BellSouth
Telecommunications, Inc. to
remove its deregulated payphone
investment and associated
expenses from its intrastate
operatic as and reduce the
Carrier Common Line rate element
of its intrastate switched
access charges by approximately
\$36.5 million as required by the
Federal Telecommunications Act
of 1996

DOCKET NO. 970173-TP

DOCKET NO. 970172-TP

In re: Petition by MCI
Telecommunications Corporation
for an order requiring GTE
Florida Incorporated to remove
its deregulated payphone
investment and associated
expenses from its intrastate
operations and reduce Carrier
Common Line rate element of its
intrastate switched access
charges by approximately \$9.6
million as required by the
Federal Telecommunications Act
of 1996

In re: Establishment of intrastate implementation requirements governing federally mandated deregulation of local exchange company payphones

DOCKET NO. 970281-TL

Dated: July 18, 1997

VISTA-UNITED TELECOMMUNICATIONS' PREHEARING STATEMENT

Pursuant to Order No. PSC-97-0721-PCO-TP, VISTA-UNITED TELECOMMUNICATIONS ("Vista" or the "Company") files this Prehearing Statement:

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- A. WITNESS: None.
- B. EXHIBITS: None.
- c. BASIC POSITION: There is no subsidy that needs to be eliminated as a result of these dockets.

D-G. ISSUES AND POSITIONS:

Issue 1: What is the amount of intrastate payphone subsidy, if any, that needs to be eliminated by the Company pursuant to Section 276(B)(1)(b) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996?

Position: None.

Issue 2: If an intrastate payphone subsidy is identified in Issue 1, do the FCC's Payphone Reclassification Orders require the Florida Public Service Commission to specify which rate element(s) should be reduced to eliminate such subsidy?

<u>Position</u>: If there is a subsidy to be eliminated, the states must determine the intrastate rate elements; however, the FCC Order does not specify specific rate elements to be reduced.

<u>Issue 3</u>: If an intrastate payphone subsidy is identified, what is the appropriate rate element(s) to be reduced to eliminate such subsidy?

Position: There is no intrastate payphone subsidy that needs to be eliminated. However, if a subsidy is identified and needs to be eliminated, the reduction should be applied as part of the 5% annual access reduction (rather than in addition to). If the reduction is not going to be applied as part of the 5% annual access reduction (rather than in addition to), the reduction should be applied to intraLATA toll rates.

Issue 4: If necessary, by what date should revised intrastate tariffs that eliminate any identified intrastate payphone subsidy be filed?

Position: If the reduction is applied as part of the 5% annual access reduction (rather than in addition to), the tariff

filing should be made so that the tariff would be effective on October 1, 1997. Otherwise, the tariffs should be required to be filed within 30 days of the date of the final order.

Issue 5: Is April 15, 1997, the appropriate effective date for revised intrastate tariffs that eliminate any identified intrastate payphone subsidy?

Position: No. None of the PAA protests in this case were directed to the Company, and no one has challenged the Company's intrastate tariff. Likewise, the FPSC has not issued an order requiring that the Company hold any relevant revenues subject to refund.

Issue 6: Should these dockets be closed?

Position: Yes.

- H. <u>STIPULATIONS</u>: The Company is not aware of any pending stipulations at this time.
- I. <u>PENDING MOTIONS</u>: The Company is not aware of any pending motions at this time.
- J. <u>COMPLIANCE WITH ORDER ON PREHEARING PROCEDURE</u>: The Company does not know of any requirement of the Order on Prehearing Procedure with which it cannot comply.

DATED this 18th day of July, 1997.

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