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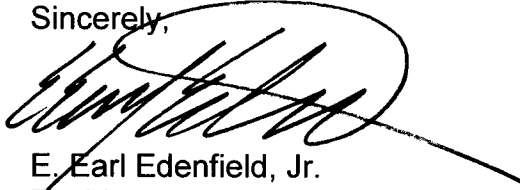
Re: Docket No.: 070008-CT
In re: Request for Naming of Qualified Representative

Dear Ms. Bayó:

Enclosed is BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s Request For Naming of Qualified Representative for Robert A. Culpepper, which we ask that you electronically file in the captioned docket. We will file the original affidavit tomorrow.

A copy of this letter is enclosed. Please mark it to indicate that the original was filed and return the copy to me. Copies have been served to the parties shown on the attached Certificate of Service.

Sincerely,



E. Earl Edenfield, Jr.
Florida Bar No. 0793426

cc: Jerry Hendrix
Nancy B. White

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FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Applications for qualified representative status)
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Docket No.: 070008-OT

**Request for Naming of Qualified
Representative**

Pursuant to Rule 28-106.107, Florida Administrative Code, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") requests that Robert A. Culpepper, Senior Corporate Counsel-Regulatory, be named a qualified representative of BellSouth in all docketed and nondocketed matters opened during the next twelve months. BellSouth is aware that it can be represented by counsel as defined in Rule 28-106.106, Florida Administrative Code and has chosen otherwise.

Attached hereto is a sworn affidavit setting forth Mr. Culpepper's qualifications. Mr. Culpepper is located at 675 West Peachtree Street, Suite 4300, Atlanta, Georgia 30375, telephone number (404) 335-0841 .

WHEREFORE, BellSouth requests that the Florida Public Service Commission grant this request.

Respectfully submitted this 10th day of January, 2007.

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

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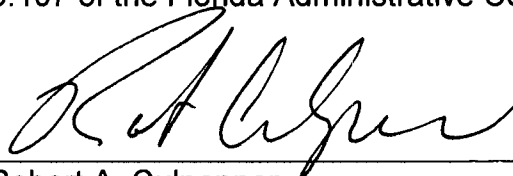
AFFIDAVIT

Undersigned counsel, being first duly sworn, states that:

Undersigned counsel is currently employed by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., as Senior Corporate Counsel-Regulatory, at the address and telephone number below.

Undersigned counsel possesses the necessary qualifications to responsibly represent BellSouth's interests in all docketed and nondocketed matters before the Florida Public Service Commission.

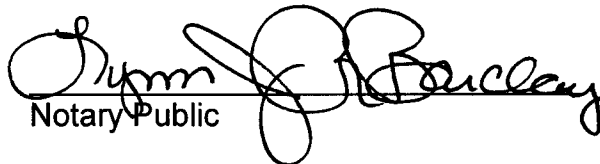
Undersigned counsel is an attorney admitted to practice, and a member in good standing of the State of South Carolina, Bar No. 65415; has practiced extensively before this and other utility regulatory agencies or authorities; has knowledge of the Florida Statutes relative to the Commission's jurisdiction; has knowledge of the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure relating to discovery in an administrative proceeding; has knowledge of the Florida Administrative Code and Florida Statutes relative to the rules of evidence, including the concept of hearsay in an administrative proceeding; has acquired or will acquire knowledge of the factual and legal issues in these matters; and has knowledge of and compliance with the Standards of Conduct for Qualified Representatives contained in Rule 28-106.107 of the Florida Administrative Code.



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County of Fulton

Affirmed and subscribed before me this 10th day of January, 2007.



Notary Public

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Lynn J. Barclay
Notary Public, DeKalb County, Georgia
My Commission Expires August 14, 2010