

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT )  
NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN AT&T )  
COMMUNICATIONS OF THE SOUTH CENTRAL ) CASE NO. 96-482  
STATES, INC. AND BELL SOUTH )  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. PURSUANT TO 47 )  
U.S.C. )

O R D E R

On November 7, 1997, AT&T Communications of the South Central States ("AT&T") filed a motion requesting a procedural schedule and a hearing to investigate the total element long run incremental cost ("TELRIC") study for selective routing submitted by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") on August 13, 1997. The rates based upon this study were among those approved by Order dated August 21, 1997. AT&T states it has "begun its review" of the study and disputes, inter alia, various assumptions of the study, including work time estimates. BellSouth has filed a response, arguing that the motion should be denied.

Because the rates based on this study have been reviewed by the Commission and approved by Order, AT&T's motion is in the nature of a petition for rehearing. Pursuant to KRS 278.400, any such motion was due within twenty days after service of the Order approving the rates. AT&T's motion is therefore untimely.

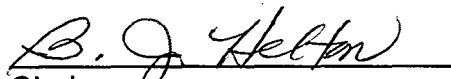
This Commission has previously denied, by Order dated July 14, 1997, an untimely motion by AT&T to establish a proceeding separate from the interconnection

arbitration docket to evaluate BellSouth's cost studies. The rationale underlying the July 14, 1997 Order applies here. The rates to be charged pursuant to an interconnection agreement unquestionably are integral terms of that agreement. The time for reviewing the underlying cost studies has long since passed.


The Commission being sufficiently advised, IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that AT&T's motion for a procedural schedule is denied.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 21st day of January, 1998.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

  
Chairman

  
Vice Chairman

  
Commissioner

ATTEST:

  
Executive Director