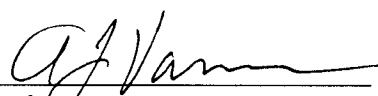


STATE OF GEORGIA)
)
)
COUNTY OF FULTON)

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, duly commissioned and qualified in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally came and appeared Alphonso J. Varner, who, being by me first duly sworn deposed and said that:

He is appearing as a witness on behalf of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., before the Kentucky Public Service Commission in connection with the Investigation Concerning The Propriety of InterLATA Services By BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., Pursuant To The Telecommunications Act of 1996 and if present before the Commission and duly sworn, his testimony would be set forth in the annexed testimony consisting of 3 pages and 1 exhibits.



Alphonso J. Varner

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME this
8th day of March, 2002



NOTARY PUBLIC

MICHEALE F. BIXLER
Notary Public, Douglas County, Georgia
My Commission Expires November 3, 2005

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.
SUPPLEMENTAL DIRECT TESTIMONY OF ALPHONSO J. VARNER
BEFORE THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
CASE NO. 2001-105
MARCH 11, 2002

Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, YOUR POSITION WITH BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. ("BELLSOUTH") AND YOUR BUSINESS ADDRESS.

A. My name is Alphonso J. Varner. I am employed by BellSouth as Senior Director in Interconnection Services. My business address is 675 West Peachtree Street, Atlanta, Georgia 30375.

Q. ARE YOU THE SAME ALPHONSO J. VARNER WHO FILED DIRECT TESTIMONY IN THIS PROCEEDING?

A. Yes, I am.

Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR SUPPLEMENTAL TESTIMONY?

A. The purpose of my supplemental testimony is to provide data specific to BellSouth's operations in Kentucky in the FCC format in this proceeding.

As stated in my direct testimony filed with this Commission on May 18, 2001, this filing reflects performance for the month of January 2002. Supplemental Exhibit AJV-6 and Attachments 1H through 3H that accompany this filing describe the data and explain the conclusions that can be drawn from it.

Q. CAN YOU SUMMARIZE THE KENTUCKY DATA?

A. Certainly. As discussed in my Exhibit, in November 2001, BellSouth met or exceeded the criteria for 597 of the 702 sub-metrics (85%) for which there was CLEC activity. BellSouth met or exceeded the benchmarks/retail analogues for 545 of 616 (88%) sub-metrics in December 2001. In January 2002, BellSouth met or exceeded the criteria for 562 of the 627 sub-metrics (90%) for which there was CLEC activity. For those measures that BellSouth did not meet benchmarks or retail analogue comparisons, my Exhibit demonstrates that there are no systemic performance problems.

During the three-month period, November 2001 through January 2002, there were a total of 544 sub-metrics that had CLEC activity for all three months and that were compared with either a benchmark or retail analogue. Of these 544 sub-metrics, 491 sub-metrics (90%) satisfied the comparison criteria during at least two of the three months.

Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY?

A. Yes.