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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Gary Hotvedt, Hearing Officer
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, TN 37238

Re: *Tariff Filing of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. to Reduce Grouping Rates in Rate Group 5 and to Implement a 3% Late Payment Charge*
Docket No. 00-00041

Dear Mr. Hotvedt:

This will confirm that today BellSouth received a copy of a Motion to Compel Answers, to have Answer Deemed Admitted, and to Modify Scheduling Order to Permit the Taking of Depositions from General Williams. Although the certificate of service states that this pleading was faxed or hand delivered on January 4, 2001, BellSouth still has not received its service copy of the pleading. Because of the delay and because a response is due tomorrow, BellSouth has requested and the Consumer Advocate Division has agreed to a one-week extension of time to respond. BellSouth respectfully requests your approval of this extension. If approved, BellSouth will file its response on January 18, 2001.

Thank you very much for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Guy M. Hicks

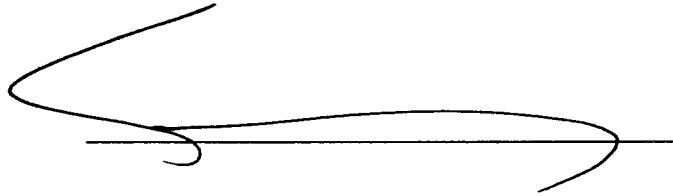
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on January 10, 2001, a copy of the foregoing document was served on the parties of record, via the method indicated:

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- ☐ Overnight

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Timothy Phillips', is written over a horizontal line.