## BEFORE THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE May 2, 1996

In Re:

Application of Citizens Telecommunications Company d/b/a Citizens Telecom for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity as a Competing Telecommunications Service Provider

Docket No. 96-00779

## **ORDER**

This matter is before the Tennessee Public Service Commission upon petition of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. for leave to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding. It appears to the Commission that Petitioner has an interest in this matter, and therefore, that it constitutes an interested party pursuant to the provisions of §§4-5-310 and 65-2-107. It further appears to the Commission that Petitioner has timely filed its petition to intervene more than seven (7) days prior to any hearing set in this cause, and therefore, that it is entitled to intervention as a matter of right. In addition, it appears to the Commission that the interest of justice and orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings will not be impaired by allowing this intervention.

## IT IS THEREFORE, ORDERED,

1. That the petition of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. for leave to intervene in the above-captioned cause be, and the same is hereby GRANTED.

2. That the intervenor be and the same is hereby made a party to this proceeding and shall receive all copies of notices and orders and be permitted to participate in all aspects of the hearing including providing testimony and cross-examining witnesses.

Chairman

ATTEST: