

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

June 4, 1996

**IN RE: Interconnection Negotiations under 47 U.S.C. § 252(a)(2) Between  
AT&T Communications of the South Central States, Inc. and  
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.**

**Docket No. 96-00921**

**ORDER**

This matter is before the Commission upon a petition of AT&T Communications of the South Central States, Inc. ("AT&T").

AT&T has requested mediation of a dispute pursuant to 47 U.S.C § 252(a)(2). This dispute arose from interconnection negotiations between AT&T and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"), conducted pursuant to the above-cited section of the Federal Act. The matter in dispute involves a question relating to the relevancy of cost studies in interconnection negotiations.

The Commission hereby designates that a professional mediation service, in this instance, the National Arbitration and Mediation Association, will mediate, unless there is good cause why another mediator should be selected.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

- 1). The petition of AT&T for mediation be granted,<sup>1</sup> with the modifications indicated above; and
- 2). Each party shall provide the Commission with the name of its designated representative to mediate within five (5) days of this order.

Attest:



Executive Director

  
CHAIRMAN

  
COMMISSIONER

  
COMMISSIONER

<sup>1</sup> The Commissioners in granting this petition pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(a)(2) in no way intend to waive any rights as guaranteed by the Eleventh Amendment of the Constitution of the United States.