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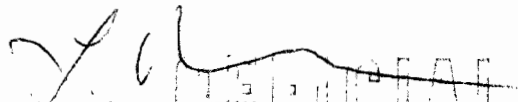
David Waddell, Executive Secretary
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, TN 37243-0505

Re: Tariff Filing By United Telephone-Southeast, Inc. To Reflect
Annual Price Cap Adjustment Tariff 96-201
Docket No. 96-01423

Dear Mr. Waddell:

Please be advised that the filing of our Motion For Extension of Time or Continuance after 12:00 noon was inadvertent. The text of the Motion and affidavit was prepared on Thursday afternoon March 20, 1997. However, no signature was placed on the document until a notary could verify and affix a signature.

Respectfully submitted,


L. Vincent Williams
Consumer Advocate

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IN RE: TARIFF FILING BY UNITED
TELEPHONE-SOUTHEAST, INC. TO
REFLECT ANNUAL PRICE CAP
ADJUSTMENT (TARIFF NO.96-201)

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) EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
) DOCKET NO. 96-01423
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MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME OR CONTINUANCE

Comes the Consumer Advocate Division (ConAd) to respectfully request an extension of time to submit its brief in the case *sub judice*. For cause ConAd would show:

1. That the Tennessee Regulatory Authority orally requested the parties to submit briefs regarding the issues in this case by noon of March 21, 1996.
2. That counsel for the Consumer Advocate Division is the sole counsel for the division at this time and he is has been required to respond to legislative inquiries, prepare for other hearings and handle a variety of other matters.
3. That because of the stage of the various cases counsel is involved in, the cases are not suitable for reassignment at this time.
4. That counsel has reviewed tapes of several of the legislative hearings for which he has no transcription.
5. That counsel has reviewed transcripts of tapes of legislative hearings for which he has a transcript.
6. That some of the legislative tapes for which there is no transcript, appear relevant to the questions presented in this case.

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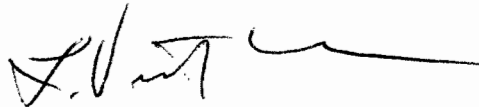
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7. That because of other ongoing matters and the difficulty of transcribing the tapes, ConAd has contracted with a service which specializes in preparing transcriptions of legislative hearings for production of relevant transcripts.
8. That the specialist has informed the division that the transcripts will not be complete until sometime Tuesday, March 25, 1996.
9. That upon receipt of the transcript, it must be analyzed.
10. That upon analysis, the matters must be briefed.
11. That the Consumer Advocate Division requests an extension of time to April 1, 1997, which avoids the Good Friday and Easter Holiday.
12. That ConAd does not expect any party's substantive or procedural rights to be prejudiced by the extension of time.

Wherefore the Consumer Advocate Division prays that the Tennessee Regulatory Authority grant it an extension of time or continuance to April 1, 1997 to submit its brief.

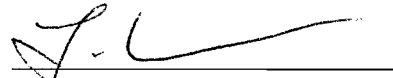
Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L. Vincent Williams', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

L. Vincent Williams

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Motion has been mailed postage prepaid to the parties listed below this 2nd day of March, 1997.



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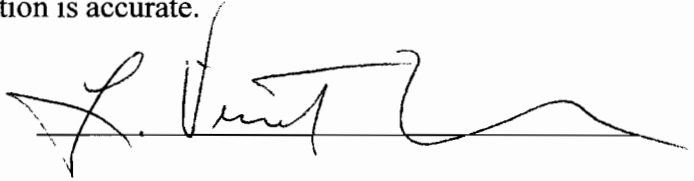

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AFFIDAVIT

I, L. Vincent Williams of the Consumer Advocate Division of the Attorney General's office, hereby certify that the attached Motion is accurate.



Sworn to and subscribed before me
this 21st day of March, 1997.


NOTARY PUBLIC

My commission expires on: 1/20/99