BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

November 24, 1999

IN RE:)	
BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. TARIFF TO INTRODUCE LATE PAYMENT CHARGES))	DOCKET NO. 99-00574

ORDER GRANTING THE PETITION OF CONSUMER ADVOCATE DIVISION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE

This matter came before the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("Authority") at a regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on October 12, 1999, upon the Petition for Leave to Intervene filed by Consumer Advocate Division of the Office of the Attorney General ("CAD").

At the above-referenced Authority Conference, the Directors applied the legal standard for intervention, codified at Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-5-310, and found that the intervention petition: was timely and properly served; substantiated that legal interests of the intervenor may be determined in this matter; and demonstrated that the interest of justice and the orderly and prompt conduct of this matter would not be impaired by allowing such intervention. Without objection from the parties, the Directors unanimously granted the Petition to Intervene.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Petition to Intervene filed by Consumer Advocate Division of the Office of the Attorney General is granted; and
- 2. Any Party aggrieved by the Authority's decision in this matter may file a Petition for Reconsideration with the Authority within ten (10) days of the date of this Order.

Melvin J. Malone, Charman

H. Lynn Greer, II., Director

Sara Kyle, Director

ATTEST:

K. David Waddell, Executive Secretary