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VIA HAND DELIVERY

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460 James Robertson Parkway
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In Re: *AT&T Communications of the South Central States, Inc.*
Tariff to Implement an Intrastate Directory Assistance Charge

Docket No. 99-00757

Dear Mr. Waddell:

Enclosed for filing are the original and thirteen copies of the Reply of AT&T Communications of the South Central States, Inc. to the Complaint and Petition for Information filed by the Consumer Advocate Division in the above matter. Please be sure that this is called to the attention of the Directors as soon as practicable since this matter is on tomorrow's Agenda.

Yours very truly,


Vance Sanford

VS/ghc
Enclosures

cc: Vance Broemel, Esq.
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BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

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EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

IN RE: *AT&T Communications of the South Central States, Inc.*
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REPLY OF AT&T COMMUNICATIONS OF THE SOUTH
CENTRAL STATES, INC. TO COMPLAINT AND PETITION FOR
INFORMATION FILED BY CONSUMER ADVOCATE DIVISION

The Complaint and Petition for Information filed by the CAD should be denied on the grounds that:

1. The CAD is in error as to the notice filed by AT&T. As the TRA's records show, the following notice was filed:

PUBLIC NOTICE
To The Customers of AT&T Communication
Of The South Central States, Inc.

Notice is hereby given that AT&T Communications of The South Central States, Inc, has filed a tariff with The Tennessee Regulatory Authority, to revise the AT&T Directory Assistance Service rates of the AT&T General Services and Custom Network Services in Tennessee.

AT&T Directory Assistance Service

	Per Call <u>Present</u>	Per Call <u>Proposed</u>
Service Charge	0	\$1.40

These changes will take effect on November 7, 1999. If you have any questions, please call your account representative, at the telephone number listed on your bill or write to: AT&T Communications of the South Central States, 414 Union Street, Suite 1830, Nashville, Tennessee, 37219.

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2. That notice complies with the requirements of Tennessee Administrative Rule 1220-4-2-.55(e)2.


3. The notice quoted by the CAD was the notice given to "parties," i.e., interested carriers and the CAD.

4. As to the CAD's petition for information, it states no basis or ground for obtaining the information stated. Such information has nothing to do with the notice as to which the CAD complains, or with any other relief appropriate under either statute or rule. The CAD is not entitled to information as to which no useful purpose would be served by its production.

5. The TRA has approved the Directory Assistance tariff of Sprint. The only substantial difference between Sprint's tariff and AT&T's is that AT&T provides for up to 50 free calls for customers with disabilities.

The CAD's Complaint and Petition are without merit.

Respectfully submitted,



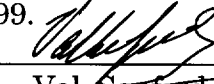
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Val Sanford, hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Reply of AT&T Communications of the South Central States, Inc. was served on the following via Hand-Delivery, this 1st day of November, 1999.



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