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In the Matter of the Petition of BPS )  
Telephone Company for Approval of an ) Case No. TO-99-498  
IntraLATA Toll Dialing Parity Plan )

1. The first part of the document is a header section containing the following information:
 

- Project Name: [REDACTED]
- Project Number: [REDACTED]
- Project Date: [REDACTED]
- Project Location: [REDACTED]
- Project Status: [REDACTED]
- Project Manager: [REDACTED]
- Project Sponsor: [REDACTED]
- Project Stakeholders: [REDACTED]
- Project Objectives: [REDACTED]
- Project Scope: [REDACTED]
- Project Budget: [REDACTED]
- Project Risk: [REDACTED]
- Project Communication: [REDACTED]
- Project Reporting: [REDACTED]
- Project Monitoring: [REDACTED]
- Project Evaluation: [REDACTED]
- Project Closure: [REDACTED]

On August 31, 1999, BPS Telephone Company (BPS) filed a petition for modification of its IntraLATA Dialing Parity (ILDP) plan. BPS stated that it wanted to modify its ILDP plan because the plan it proposed and the Commission approved would assign customers who did not choose a primary interexchange carrier (PIC) for intraLATA toll service to their interLATA carrier, and because AT&T is the interLATA PIC for many of its customers. BPS stated that, under the plan it proposed, it is concerned that a number of customers might be defaulted to a 101XXXX dialing pattern. BPS requests that the Commission allow it to modify its plan so that customers who have not chosen a primary interexchange carrier (PIC) for intraLATA toll service by October 20, 1999, will be assigned to its long distance affiliate (FDF Communications Co. d/b/a BPS Long Distance) rather than to their interLATA carrier. BPS also requested that the Commission authorize it to send a notification letter (a copy of which it attached to its petition) explaining the modification to its customers.

A number of secondary carriers (SCs) proposed ILDP plans that assigned customers who did not choose a PIC to a long distance affiliate of the SC, and the Commission approved these plans. (See, e.g., TO-99-514, In the Matter of the Petition of Mark Twain Rural Telephone Company for Approval of an IntraLATA Dialing Parity Plan.) The Commission will allow BPS to modify its ILDP plan as requested.

However, the Commission is concerned that BPS's proposed notification letter does not stress the fact that it is a change from the earlier notice. The Commission will direct BPS to add the following paragraph in large bold type at the beginning of its proposed notice:

THIS NOTICE WILL ALERT YOU OF CHANGES THAT HAVE OCCURRED SINCE THE NOTICE YOU RECEIVED IN LATE JUNE OR EARLY JULY. Contrary to what that notice said, if you do not affirmatively choose (by contacting BPS Telephone Company or the long distance company you choose) an intraLATA toll service provider by October 20, 1999, you will be assigned to BPS Long Distance, an affiliate of BPS Telephone Company. The earlier notice stated that you would be assigned to your interLATA long distance carrier if you did not affirmatively choose an intraLATA carrier. That is no longer correct.

The Commission will also direct BPS to add the following paragraph at the end of its proposed notice:

You will still be able to make toll calls by "dialing around" using a "101XXXX" access number. A list of these "101XXXX" access numbers is available from your local BPS Telephone Company business office.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That the petition to modify its IntraLATA Dialing Parity plan filed by BPS Telephone Company on August 31, 1999 is granted.
2. That BPS Telephone Company shall provide notice to its customers as discussed herein.
3. That this order shall become effective on October 1, 1999.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



**Dale Hardy Roberts**  
**Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

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Crumpton, Murray, Schemenauer,  
and Drainer, CC., concur  
Lumpe, Ch., absent

Mills, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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