## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for a rate increase ) by UNITED TELEPHONE COMPANY OF FLORIDA. ) DOCKET NO. 910980-TL ORDER NO. 25530 ISSUED: 12-24-91

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

THOMAS M. BEARD, Chairman SUSAN F. CLARK J. TERRY DEASON BETTY EASLEY

## ORDER SUSPENDING TARIFFS

BY THE COMMISSION:

In United Telephone Company of Florida's (United or the Company) Petition for Adjustment of its Rates and Charges, the Company has requested a general rate proceeding based on a test year beginning July 1, 1992, and ending on June 30, 1993. United filed amendments to its General Exchange and Access tariffs as part If approved, the of its Minimum Filing Requirements (MFRs). tariffs would produce a net annual revenue increase of approximately \$54,308,000. United has requested authority to reduce its Busy Hour Minutes of Capacity Charge (BHMOC) rates by \$10,301,000, and to make reductions in its secondary service order charges and toll rates. It is also proposing to increase local rates by \$59,697,000, Custom Calling Services by \$2,057,000, and lower the time-of-day discount on toll rates which results in an increase in evening and night/weekend rates.

As of August 1991, United was earning 12.33% return on equity which is within its authorized range of earnings. It will be necessary for us to examine a great deal more information to determine whether United is in need of a \$54,000,000 increase in revenues. In order to gather that information, we have set this matter for hearing for the week of April 13-17, 1992. Therefore, we find it appropriate to suspend these tariffs.

This docket shall remain open until the resolution of this proceeding.

Based on the foregoing, it is, therefore,

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the tariffs filed by United Telephone Company of Florida on November 15, 1991, in conjunction with its Minimum Filing Requirements and Petition for an Adjustment in Rates and Charges, are hereby suspended. It is further

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ORDERED that this docket shall remain open until the resolution of this proceeding.

STEVE TRIBBLE Director Division of Records and Reporting

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## NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.59(4), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Any party adversely affected by this order, which is preliminary, procedural or intermediate in nature, may request: 1) reconsideration within 10 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.038(2), Florida Administrative Code, if issued by a Prehearing Officer; 2) reconsideration within 15 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by the Commission; or 3) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court, in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility, or the First District Court of Appeal, in the case of a water or wastewater utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code. Judicial review of a preliminary, procedural or intermediate ruling or order is available if review of the final action will not provide an adequate remedy. Such review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.

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