

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Request for approval of) DOCKET NO. 950036-TL
tariff filing to move a portion) ORDER NO. PSC-95-0198-FOF-TL
of the Tarpon Springs exchange) ISSUED: February 10, 1995
into the Clearwater exchange by)
GTE FLORIDA INCORPORATED. (T-94-)
603 filed 11/9/94))
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The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

SUSAN F. CLARK, Chairman
J. TERRY DEASON
JOE GARCIA
JULIA L. JOHNSON
DIANE K. KIESLING

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF FILING

BY THE COMMISSION:

On November 9, 1994, GTE Florida Incorporated (GTEFL or the Company) filed a tariff to move a portion of the Tarpon Springs exchange into the Clearwater exchange. The Company states that the proposed area to be transferred currently has two subdivisions. They are Windmere and Coventry Village.

The Windmere subdivision has two phases. The first phase is located in the Clearwater exchange and the second phase, which is currently under construction, is located in the Tarpon Springs exchange. The Company is providing service to both from the Clearwater exchange. The Company states that due to the location of the subdivision, the Clearwater exchange (St. George central office) is the only reasonable choice to provide service.

In addition, the Coventry Village subdivision, which is still under construction, is located in both the Tarpon Springs and Clearwater exchanges. The Company states that due to the location of the subdivision there is no other access to Coventry Village except from the Clearwater exchange (St. George central office).

The area to be transferred is located entirely within Pinellas County; therefore, the provision of E911 service will not be affected. Since Clearwater is the countyseat and it has toll-free calling to Tarpon Springs there will be no toll charges when calling schools or governmental entities in these exchanges. By

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moving this area into the Clearwater exchange, future residents will receive a larger calling scope, with no increase in local rates; however, they will lose extended area service (EAS) to the New Port Richey exchange (Clearwater does have Extended Calling Service (ECS) to New Port Richey which rates residential calls at \$.25 per call and business calls at \$.10 for the first minute and \$.06 for each additional minute) and ECS to the Hudson exchange. They will gain EAS to the St. Petersburg and Tampa-West exchanges.

Upon consideration, GTEFL's proposed tariff to move the Tarpon Springs portions of the Windmere and Coventry Village subdivisions into the Clearwater exchange is appropriate. The proposed boundary change will place both subdivisions in the Clearwater exchange. Since both subdivisions are currently being served from the Clearwater exchange, there will be no customer impact. Furthermore, it appears that Clearwater is the most cost-efficient choice to serve the two subdivisions.

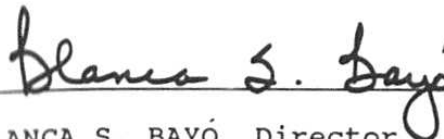
Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that GTE Florida Incorporated's tariff filing to move a portion of the Tarpon Springs exchange into the Clearwater exchange is approved. It is further

ORDERED that this tariff filing shall be effective January 31, 1995. It is further

ORDERED that if a timely protest is filed in accordance with the requirements set forth below, this tariff shall remain in effect with any increase in revenues held subject to refund pending resolution of the protest. If no timely protest is filed, this docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 10th day of February, 1995.



BLANCA S. BAYÓ, 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.

The Commission's decision on this tariff is interim in nature and will become final, unless a person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed files a petition for a formal proceeding, as provided by Rule 25-22.036(4), Florida Administrative Code, in the form provided by Rule 25-22.036(7)(a)(d) and (e), Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, 101 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870, by the close of business on March 3, 1995.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become final on the day subsequent to the above date.

Any objection or protest filed in this docket before the issuance date of this Order is considered abandoned unless it satisfies the foregoing conditions and is renewed within the specified protest period.

If this Order becomes final on the date described above, any party adversely affected may request judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or by the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water or wastewater utility by filing a notice of appeal with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days of the date this Order becomes final, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900(a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.