

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Resolution by Alachua ) DOCKET NO. 921267-TL  
County Board of County ) ORDER NO. PSC-96-0622-FOF-TL  
Commissioners for extended area ) ISSUED: May 8, 1996  
service (EAS) throughout Alachua )  
County. )  
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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

NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION  
ORDER REGARDING EXTENDED CALLING SERVICE

BY THE COMMISSION:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Florida Public Service Commission that the action discussed herein is preliminary in nature and will become final unless a person whose interests are substantially affected files a petition for a formal proceeding, pursuant to Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code.

By Order No. PSC-93-1635-FOF-TL, issued November 8, 1993, this Commission denied extended area service (EAS) on all 70 routes within Alachua County. This Commission also decided, with the exception of the McIntosh/Gainesville route that the calling rates and distribution on the remaining routes did not exhibit a sufficient community of interest to warrant an alternative toll plan. The McIntosh/Gainesville route was identified to be evaluated after the conclusion of the EAS rule revision docket, Docket No. 930220-TL. After the 1995 revisions to Chapter 364, Florida Statutes, the rule revision docket was closed.

By Order No. PSC-95-1135-FOF-TL, issued September 12, 1995, this Commission ordered BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (BellSouth) and ALLTEL Florida, Inc. (ALLTEL) to implement extended calling service (ECS) on the McIntosh/Gainesville route by March 17, 1996.

Based on traffic data, the McIntosh/Micanopy route was not to be evaluated at the time we decided to implement ECS on the McIntosh/Gainesville route; however, it should have been determined whether there was any leapfrogging of any routes. Historically, this Commission has granted EAS or ECS on routes to prevent leapfrogging. To avoid leapfrogging, ECS should have been

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implemented on the McIntosh/Micanopy route when this Commission approved ECS on the McIntosh/Gainesville route. Therefore, with the implementation of ECS on the McIntosh/Gainesville route, we find that ECS shall also be implemented on the McIntosh/Micanopy route to avoid leapfrogging.

At the March 5, 1996 agenda conference, this Commission granted ALLTEL's Motion for an Extension of Time until May 12, 1996, and granted its Motion for an Additional Extension of Time to implement business calls at \$.25 per call instead of ECS rates until October 1, 1996 on the McIntosh/Gainesville route in Docket No. 921267-TL, the McIntosh/Williston route in Docket No. 930236-TL, and the Live Oak/Lake City route in Docket No. 930979-TL. However, BellSouth will implement ECS rates on its end of the route.

ALLTEL has stated that it can implement ECS on the McIntosh/Micanopy route simultaneously with the McIntosh/Gainesville route, if it can charge business calls at \$.25 per call instead of ECS rates until October 1, 1996. BellSouth has indicated that it can implement ECS on this route simultaneously with the McIntosh/Gainesville route.

Accordingly, we find that ALLTEL Florida Incorporated and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. shall implement extended calling service on the McIntosh/Micanopy route no later than May 12, 1996. The McIntosh/Micanopy route shall be implemented simultaneously with the McIntosh/Gainesville route. Residential customers shall pay \$.25 per call regardless of duration, and business calls on this route shall be rated at \$.10 for the first minute and \$.06 for each additional minute. However, ALLTEL shall be allowed to charge business calls at \$.25 per call instead of at ECS rates until October 1, 1996. ALLTEL shall provide notice to its affected business customers explaining the interim \$.25 plan, and provide a subsequent notice to these customers prior to the implementation of ECS per minute business rates. Pay telephone providers will charge end users \$.25 per message and pay the standard measured interconnection usage charge. Interexchange carriers may continue to carry the same types of traffic on these routes that they are now authorized to carry.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that ALLTEL Florida Incorporated and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. shall implement extended calling service on the McIntosh/Micanopy route no later than May 12, 1996. It is further

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ORDERED that the McIntosh/Micanopy route shall be implemented simultaneously with the implementation of the McIntosh/Gainesville route. Residential customers shall pay \$.25 per call regardless of duration. Business calls on the McIntosh/Micanopy route shall be rated at \$.10 for the first minute and \$.06 for each additional minute. ALLTEL shall be allowed to charge business calls at \$.25 per call instead of at extended calling service rates until October 1, 1996. ALLTEL shall provide notice to its affected business customers explaining the interim \$.25 plan, and provide a subsequent notice to these customers prior to the implementation of extended calling service per minute business rates. It is further

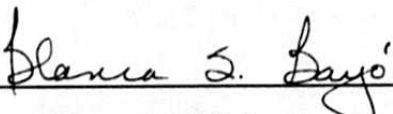
ORDERED that pay telephone providers will charge end users \$.25 per message and pay the standard measured interconnection usage charge. It is further

ORDERED that interexchange carriers may continue to carry the same types of traffic on these routes that they are now authorized to carry. It is further

ORDERED that this Order shall become final and effective on the date set forth below if no timely protest is filed pursuant to the requirements set forth below in the "Notice of Further Proceedings or Judicial Review." It is further

ORDERED that in the event this Order becomes final, this docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 8th day of May, 1996.

  
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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 action proposed herein is preliminary in nature and will not become effective or final, except as provided by Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code. Any person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed by this order may file a petition for a formal proceeding, as provided by Rule 25-22.029(4), Florida Administrative Code, in the form provided by Rule 25-22.036(7)(a) and (f), Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, by the close of business on May 29, 1996.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become effective on the day subsequent to the above date as provided by Rule 25-22.029(6), Florida Administrative Code.

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 and effective on the date described above, any party substantially 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 effective date of this order, 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.