

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Request for approval of tariff filing to de-tariff billing and collection rates by ALLTEL Florida, Inc. (T-97-486 filed 5/30/97)

DOCKET NO. 970702-TL

In re: Request for approval of tariff filing to amend general subscriber services tariff to add access billing and collection rates under contract by ALLTEL Florida, Inc. (T-97-487 filed 5/30/97)

DOCKET NO. 970703-TL
ORDER NO. PSC-97-0853-FOF-TL
ISSUED: July 15, 1997

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

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

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

BY THE COMMISSION:

ALLTEL Florida, Inc., (ALLTEL) by tariff filings dated May 30, 1997, seeks authority to amend its Access and General Subscriber Service Tariffs to remove billing and collection rates from the former and add to the latter a provision (Section 22.1) that billing and collection rates are offered under contract, effective July 1, 1997. ALLTEL currently provides the following billing and collection services:

- Recording
- Message Billing
- Private Line Billing
- Billing Information
- Billing Inquiry.

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Some of the current tariff elements have no specific rates published. The rates are developed on an individual case basis (i.e., by contract). Local exchange companies may provide billing and collection either by tariff or under contract. On and after July 1, 1997, ALLTEL would provide all of its billing and collection services under contract.

Billing and collection will continue to be subject to this Commission's jurisdiction. Revenues and costs remain above the line for accounting purposes. The revised tariff will allow ALLTEL more flexibility in providing billing and collection services.

Upon consideration, we find it appropriate to approve ALLTEL's May 30, 1997, tariff filings, effective July 1, 1997.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the tariff revisions filed by ALLTEL Florida, Inc., as described in the body of this Order, are approved, effective July 1, 1997. It is further

ORDERED that if a protest is filed within 21 days from the issuance of this Order, the tariffs shall remain in effect pending resolution of the protest, with any revenues held subject to refund. It is further

ORDERED that if a timely protest is not filed, this docket shall be closed.

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By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 15th
day of July, 1997.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director
Division of Records and Reporting

By: Kay Flynn
Kay Flynn, Chief
Bureau of Records

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.569(1), 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.

Mediation may be available on a case-by-case basis. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to a hearing.

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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, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, by the close of business on August 5, 1997.

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.