

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

NOTICE OF STAFF WORKSHOP

TO

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

UNDOCKETED

REVIEW OF PROPOSALS FOR EXPEDITED INTERCONNECTION AND RESALE  
COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

ISSUED: November 7, 1997

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Rule 25-22.001, Florida Administrative Code, that the Staff of the Florida Public Service Commission will conduct a workshop in the above-referenced docket at the following time and place:

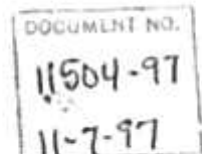
9:30 a.m., Friday, November 14, 1997  
Room 152 Betty Easley Conference Center  
4075 Esplanade Way \*  
Tallahassee, Florida

\* NOTE: Any person who is unable to attend may participate via telephone. To participate by telephone, call the following number at 9:30 a.m., Friday, November 14, 1997: non-Suncom (850)414-1711 or Suncom (850)994-1711.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this workshop is to review and discuss proposals for expedited procedures to facilitate Commission review of complaints filed by parties to negotiated and arbitrated interconnection agreements approved by the Commission pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Interested persons should come prepared to address the options attached to this notice and to present their own proposals for expedited treatment of complaints.

Any person requiring some accommodation at this workshop because of a physical impairment should call the Division of Records and Reporting at (850) 413-6770, at least three calendar



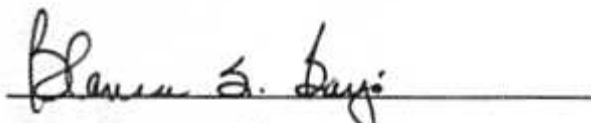
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days prior to the workshop. Any person who is hearing or speech impaired should contact the Florida Public Service Commission by using the Florida Relay Service, which can be reached at 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

JURISDICTION

Jurisdiction is vested in this Commission pursuant to Chapter 364, Florida Statutes.

By DIRECTION of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 7th day of November, 1997.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Blanca S. Bayó", is written over a horizontal line.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, Director  
Division of Records and Reporting

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OPTIONS FOR EXPEDITED PROCESSING OF COMPLAINTS

OPTION 1

§120.57(2), F. S. - This provision is available for use for hearings not involving disputed issues of material fact. However, there is nothing to prohibit a person whose substantial interests are to be determined by an agency in a proceeding in which there are disputed issues of material fact from waiving the use of § 120.57(1) and agreeing to the use of §120.57(2). That is, a party could agree to forego a formal evidentiary proceeding, and have his/her substantial interests determined in an "informal" (2) proceeding, where a decision would be made based on the party's written submittals or oral argument.

This option provides an expedited process, contingent upon the parties' agreement. The steps in the process would be:

1. Complaint filed.
2. Response filed.
3. No intervention since this is a dispute between the signatories.\*
4. Parties meet with staff to identify/narrow issues. Date agreed on for filing brief on point(s) at issue. If oral argument chosen, potential date discussed.
5. Staff takes recommendation to regular or special agenda on the written submittals (briefs) or after analyzing presentation at oral argument.
6. Commission decides and a final order is issued, with appeal to the Federal District Court.

\*NOTE: If multiple complaints are filed on the same issue, the complaints could be combined for purposes of briefing or oral argument.

OPTION 2

§ 120.57(1), F. S. - This provision could be used, but with expedited time periods, if the parties refuse to use a (2) proceeding or for some other reason, a formal evidentiary hearing is needed. The steps in this process would be:

1. Prefiled testimony is filed with the complaint.
2. Rebuttal testimony filed with the response.

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3. No intervenors since this is a dispute between the signatories.
4. Expedited discovery (depositions).
5. Issue I/D with staff to narrow the issues.
6. Expedited date for filing Prehearing Statement.
7. Hearing before a panel, rather than full Commission.
8. Expedited briefing schedule.
9. Possibly delete "positions of the parties" from the recommendation format since there would only be two parties in the docket.
10. Recommendation taken to special or regular Agenda.
11. Final Order issued with appeal to the Federal District Court.