

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA

In the Matter of the Application )  
of Discount Utilities, LLC for )  
an Application for Original Authority to )  
Provide Interexchange Telecommunications )  
Services Within the State of Florida. )

No. 971594-TI

MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

Discount Utilities, LLC ("Applicant"), pursuant to Rule 25-22.006(5)(a) of the Florida Administrative Code hereby moves for a Protective Order from the Florida Public Service Commission. This Motion pertains to confidential financial statements (hereinafter, "Proprietary Documents") submitted with Applicant's Application for Original Authority to Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Services in the above-referenced proceeding.

In support of its motion, Applicant states as follows:

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JUSTIFICATION

Initials of person who forwarded check:

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The material contained within the Proprietary Documents comprise highly confidential financial information that would be of significant benefit to competitors. By reviewing its financial information, competitors could determine the extent of Applicant's operations which could cause significant and possibly irreparable harm to Applicant.

The information contained within the Proprietary Documents is of no benefit to the general public. Release of the information contained within the Proprietary Documents to competitors or potential competitors could cause irreparable and continuing financial and operational harm to the Applicant. The protection sought herein is consistent with relief granted to other applicant's under similar circumstances in past proceedings.

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CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully submits, that there is substantial basis for restricting public disclosure of its financial statements, and therefore, requests that the Proprietary Documents be withheld from public inspection.

Respectfully submitted this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1997.

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**Public Service Commission**

December 11, 1997

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Re: Docket No. 971599-TI

Dear Mr. Nyhus:

This will acknowledge receipt of an application for certificate to provide interexchange telecommunications service by Discount Utilities, LLC, which was filed in this office on December 9, 1997 and assigned the above-referenced docket number. Appropriate staff members will be advised.

Mediation may be available to resolve any dispute in this docket. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to an administrative hearing. For more information, contact the Office of General Counsel at (850) 413-6078 or FAX (850) 413-6079.

Please make note as well that Commission Rule 25-22.005(7), F.A.C., requires certificated companies to notify the Commission of any changes in name, telephone, address, or contact person. Should your application be granted by the Commission, you will be expected to comply with this rule by advising us of any changes as they occur.

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