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Ms. Karen Davis, Secretary
Suncoast Payphones, Inc.
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Miami, FL 33256

RE: Docket No. 991257-TC

Dear Ms. Davis:

The above docket was opened because the 1998 regulatory assessment fee (RAF) had not been paid. On December 7, 1999, Order No. PSC-99-2387-PAA-TC was issued. The Order stated that either a \$500 fine would be assessed or that the certificate would be cancelled. You responded to the Order on December 28, 1999, that Suncoast would pay the past due charges, that it would propose a settlement, and that steps had been taken to prevent future late payments. On February 7, 2000, Suncoast paid the 1998 RAF, but did not pay the \$12.50 penalty and \$6.50 interest, for a total past due of \$19.00 for 1998. In addition, Suncoast paid the 1999 fee, but did not pay the \$2.50 penalty and \$.50 interest, for a total past due of \$3.00 for 1999. The company has a total past due balance of \$22.00 that must be paid. However, just paying the past due balance in full was not an option.

As I explained in my correspondence dated December 27, 1999, the Commission generally accepts lesser amounts in settlements, but that some payment of a fine or settlement amount is necessary. Unless you respond in writing by April 3, 2000 with an acceptable settlement proposal, and payment of the \$22.00 past due balance, we will consider that you have withdrawn your protest. The Commission's Order No. PSC-99-2387-PAA-TC will then become final and your certificate will be cancelled.

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If you have any questions, just let me know. I can be reached at (850) 413-6502-voice, (850) 413-6503-fax, and by internet e-mail at pisler@psc.state.fl.us.

Sincerely,



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