

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for  
certificate to provide  
alternative local exchange  
telecommunications service by  
GTC Telecom, Inc.

DOCKET NO. 000573-TX  
ORDER NO. PSC-00-1493-PCO-TX  
ISSUED: August 18, 2000

ORDER GRANTING INTERVENTION

By Petition, GTC, Inc. d/b/a GT Com (GT Com) has requested permission to intervene in this proceeding. GT Com states that this proceeding involves a California company named GTC Telecom's application for a certificate to provide alternative local exchange service (ALEC) in Florida. GT Com contends that its interests will be substantially and directly affected by the Commission's decision in this proceeding, because the name "GTC Telecom" is confusingly similar to the names GTC, Inc. and GT Com. GT Com further contends that Florida consumers are likely to be confused with regard to the provision of local exchange service by these two similarly named companies. Therefore, GT Com requests leave to intervene in this proceeding.

Having reviewed the Petition, it appears that GT Com's substantial interests may be affected by this proceeding, because of the similarity of its certificated name and that of the applicant in this case. Therefore, the Petition shall be granted. Pursuant to Rule 25-22.039, Florida Administrative Code, GT Com takes the case as it finds it.

Therefore, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the Petition for Leave to Intervene filed by GTC, Inc. d/b/a GT Com is hereby granted. It is further

ORDERED that all parties to this proceeding shall furnish copies of all testimony, exhibits, pleadings and other documents which may hereinafter be filed in this proceeding, to:

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By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 18th  
day of August, 2000.

  
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BLANCA S. BAYO, 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 120.569(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.

Any party adversely affected by this order, which is preliminary, procedural or intermediate in nature, may request: (1) reconsideration within 10 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.0376, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by a Prehearing Officer; (2) reconsideration within 15 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.060, Florida

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Administrative Code, if issued by the Commission; or (3) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court, in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility, or the First District Court of Appeal, in the case of a water or wastewater utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code. Judicial review of a preliminary, procedural or intermediate ruling or order is available if review of the final action will not provide an adequate remedy. Such review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.