BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Request for approval of transfer of, and change in name on, IXC Certificate No. 5185 from Quentel Communications, Inc. to Palm Beach Telephone Company, and for approval to cancel ALEC Certificate No. 5184 held by Quentel Communications, Inc.

DOCKET NO. 000923-TP ORDER NO. PSC-00-1661-PAA-TP ISSUED: September 18, 2000

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

J. TERRY DEASON, Chairman
E. LEON JACOBS, JR.
LILA A. JABER

NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION ORDER CANCELLING ALTERNATIVE LOCAL EXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CERTIFICATE AND ACKNOWLEDGING NAME CHANGE

BY THE COMMISSION:

NOTICE is hereby given by the Florida Public Service Commission that the action discussed herein is preliminary in nature and will become final unless a person whose interests are substantially affected files a petition for a formal proceeding, pursuant to Rule 25-22.029, Florida Administrative Code.

Quentel Communications, Inc. (Quentel), holder of Alternative Local Exchange Telecommunications Certificate (ALEC) of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 5184, has requested the cancellation of ALEC Certificate No. 5184. Quentel has complied with the provision of Rule 25-24.820(2), Florida Administrative Code, by providing adequate notice in writing of its request for cancellation of its ALEC certificate and by submitting its regulatory assessment fees (RAFs) for 1999. Accordingly, we find it appropriate to cancel ALEC Certificate No. 5184, effective July 13, 2000.

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Quentel shall return its certificate to this Commission. In addition, under Section 364.336, Florida Statutes, certificate holders must pay a minimum annual Regulatory Assessment Fee of \$50 if the certificate was active during any portion of the calendar year. A RAFs Return notice for 2000 has been mailed to Quentel. Neither the cancellation of its certificate nor the failure to receive a RAFs Return notice for the year 2000 shall relieve Quentel from its obligation to pay RAFs for 2000.

By letter dated July 13, 2000, Quentel Communications Inc., holder of Interexchange Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 5185, also requested that Certificate No. 5185 be amended to reflect the new corporate name, Palm Beach Telephone Company. Upon review of the Department of State, Division of Corporations' records, it appears that Quentel Communications Inc. has properly registered the new corporate name. Accordingly, we find it appropriate to amend Certificate No. 5185 to reflect the new corporate name.

This Order will serve as the amended Interexchange Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 5185 for Palm Beach Telephone Company. Palm Beach Telephone Company should retain this Order as evidence of the name change.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that Quentel Communications, Inc.'s Certificate No. 5184 to provide Alternative Local Exchange Telecommunications services is hereby cancelled, effective July 13, 2000. It is further

ORDERED that Quentel Communications, Inc. shall return its certificate to this Commission and remit Regulatory Assessment Fees for the year 2000. It is further

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that the request by Quentel Communications Inc. to change the name on Certificate No. 5185 from Quentel Communications Inc. to Palm Beach Telephone Company is hereby approved. It is further

ORDERED that this Order will serve as Palm Beach Telephone Company's amended certificate and that this Order should be retained as evidence of the name change. It is further

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ORDERED that the provisions of this Order, issued as proposed agency action, shall become final and effective upon the issuance of a Consummating Order unless an appropriate petition, in the form provided by Rule 28-106.201, Florida Administrative Code, is received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, by the close of business on the date set forth in the "Notice of Further Proceedings or Judicial Review" attached hereto. It is further

ORDERED that in the event this Order becomes final, this Docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission this <u>18th</u> day of <u>September</u>, <u>2000</u>.

BLANCA S. BAYÓ, 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 that is available under Section 120.57, 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 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 action proposed herein is preliminary in nature. Any person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed by this order may file a petition for a formal proceeding, in the form provided by Rule 28-106.201, 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 October 9, 2000.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become final and effective upon the issuance of a Consummating Order.

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.