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DATE: OCTOBER 26, 2000

- TO: DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (BASO)
- FROM: DIVISION OF COMPETITIVE SERVICES (ISLER) PH DO DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES (ELLIOTT) AL L.L.F.F.
- RE: DOCKET NO. 001030-TC CANCELLATION BY FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF PAY TELEPHONE CERTIFICATE NO. 5555 ISSUED TO TSC PAYPHONE CORP. FOR VIOLATION OF RULE 25-4.0161, F.A.C., REGULATORY ASSESSMENT FEES; TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANIES.
- AGENDA: 11/07/00 REGULAR AGENDA PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION INTERESTED PERSONS MAY PARTICIPATE

CRITICAL DATES: NONE

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: NONE

FILE NAME AND LOCATION: S:\PSC\CMP\WP\001030.RCM

CASE BACKGROUND

- 01/13/98 This company obtained PATS Certificate No. 5555.
- **12/08/99** The Division of Administration mailed the regulatory assessment fee (RAF) notice. Payment was due January 31, 2000.
- 02/29/00 The Division of Administration mailed a delinquent notice to the company.
- 08/18/00 The Commission received a letter from the company requesting voluntary cancellation of its certificate.
- 08/24/00 Staff called Ms. Susan Rabig, representative of TSC Payphone Corp. to discuss the company's request for voluntary DOCUMENT NUMBER-DATE



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cancellation. The 1999 and 2000 RAF forms were faxed to the company on the same date.

 10/18/00 - As of this date, the company has not paid the past due amount.

Staff believes the following recommendations are appropriate.

DISCUSSION OF ISSUES

ISSUE 1: Should the Commission grant TSC Payphone Corp. a voluntary cancellation of Pay Telephone Certificate No. 5555?

RECOMMENDATION: No. The Commission should not grant the company a voluntary cancellation of its PATS certificate. The Commission should cancel the company's Certificate No. 5555 on its own motion, effective on the date of issuance of the Consummating Order. (Isler)

STAFF ANALYSIS: Rule 25-4.0161, Florida Administrative Code, which implements Section 364.336, Florida Statutes, requires the payment of regulatory assessment fees by January 30, or the next business day, of the subsequent year for telecommunications companies, and provides for penalties and interest as outlined in Section 350.113, Florida Statutes, for any delinquent amounts.

After the 1999 RAF notice and delinquent notice were mailed, the company wrote the Commission a letter on August 18, 2000 and requested voluntary cancellation of its pay telephone certificate. On August 24, 2000, staff called the company and explained that in order to grant a voluntary cancellation, the company needed to pay the 1999 RAF, including statutory penalty and interest charges, and either pay the 2000 fee or advise when it would be paid. In addition, staff faxed the company he RAF forms for 1999 and 2000. As of October 18, 2000, the company has not paid the 1999 RAF, including statutory penalty and interest charges, or contacted staff. Accordingly, the Commission should not grant the company a voluntary cancellation of its PATS certificate. The Commission should cancel the company's Certificate No. 5555 on its own motion, effective on the date of issuance of the Consummating Order. DOCKET NO. 001030-.C DATE: 9CTOBER 26, 2000

ISSUE 2: Should this docket be closed?

RECOMMENDATION: Yes. The Order issued from this recommendation will become final upon issuance of a consummating order, unless a person whose substantial interests are affected by the Commission's decision files a protest within 21 days of issuance of the proposed agency action order. The docket should then be closed upon receipt of the fees or cancellation of the certificate. (Elliott)

STAFF ANALYSIS: Whether staff's recommendation on Issue 1 is approved or denied, the result will be a proposed agency action order. If no timely protest to the proposed agency action is filed within 21 days of the date of issuance of the Order, this docket should be closed upon the issuance of a Consummating Order and upon receipt of the fees or cancellation of the certificate.