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- DATE: NOVEMBER 19, 2001
- TO: DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF THE COMMISSION CLERK & ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES (BAYÓ)
- FROM: DIVISION OF COMPETITIVE SERVICES (ISLER)
- RE: DOCKET NO. 011157-TX CANCELLATION BY FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF ALTERNATIVE LOCAL EXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CERTIFICATE NO. 7337 ISSUED TO P.V. TEL OF FLORIDA, LLC. FOR VIOLATION OF RULE 25-4.0161, F.A.C., REGULATORY ASSESSMENT FEES; TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANIES.

DOCKET NO. 011158-TX - CANCELLATION BY FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF ALTERNATIVE LOCAL EXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CERTIFICATE NO. 7560 ISSUED TO WORKNET COMMUNICATIONS INC. FOR VIOLATION OF RULE 25-4.0161, F.A.C., REGULATORY ASSESSMENT FEES; TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANIES.

AGENDA: 12/04/01 - REGULAR AGENDA - PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION -INTERESTED PERSONS MAY PARTICIPATE

CRITICAL DATES: NONE

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: NONE

FILE NAME AND LOCATION: S:\PSC\CMP\WP\011157.RCM

## CASE BACKGROUND

The companies listed on Attachment A were mailed the 2000 Regulatory Assessment Fee (RAF) return notice and payment was due by January 30, 2001. On February 21, 2001, the Division of the Commission Clerk & Administrative Services mailed a delinquent notice for the 2000 RAF.

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Each of the companies listed on Attachment A wrote the Commission a letter and requested cancellation of their respective certificates. Staff wrote each company back and explained that in order to grant a voluntary cancellation, the past due amount would need to be paid. In addition, staff advised that the companies would either need to pay the 2001 RAF or provide a date certain it would be paid. As of November 7, 2001, none of the companies listed on Attachment A have complied with Rule 25-24.820, Florida Administrative Code.

The Commission is vested with jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Sections 364.336, 364.285, and 364.337, Florida Statutes. Accordingly, staff believes the following recommendations are appropriate. DOCKET NOS. 011157-TX, 011158-TX DATE: NOVEMBER 19, 2001

## DISCUSSION OF ISSUES

**ISSUE 1**: Should the Commission grant the companies listed on Attachment A a voluntary cancellation of their respective certificates?

**<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>:** Nc. The Commission should not grant the companies a voluntary cancellation of their respective certificates. The Commission should cancel each company's respective certificate on its own motion with an effective date as listed on Attachment A. The collection of the past due fees should be referred to the Office of the Comptroller for further collection efforts. (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 of the subsequent year for telecommunications companies, and provides for penalties and interest as outlined in Section 350.113, Florida Statutes, for any delinguent amounts.

In March 2001, the Commission received letters from the companies listed on Attachment A requesting cancellation of their respective certificates. Staff wrote each of the companies a letter and explained that in order to grant a voluntary cancellation of the certificates, the companies would have to pay the 2000 RAF, including statutory penalty and interest charges, and either pay the 2001 RAF or provide a date certain it would be paid. None of the companies have paid the past due amount or complied with Rule 25-24.820, Florida Administrative Code. Therefore, the companies have failed to comply with Rules 25-4.0161, Florida Administrative Code, Regulatory Assessment Fees; Telecommunications Companies and 25-24.820, Florida Administrative Code, Revocation of a Certificate.

Accordingly, staff believes the Commission should cancel each company's respective certificate on its own motion with an effective date as listed on Attachment A. The collection of the past due fees should be referred to the Office of the Comptroller for further collection efforts. DOCKET NOS. 011157-TX, 011158-TX DATE: NOVEMBER 19, 2001

**ISSUE 2:** Should these dockets be closed?

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: 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 the issuance of the Proposed Agency Action Order. These dockets should then be closed upon cancellation of the certificate. A protest in one docket should not prevent the action in a separate docket from becoming final. (K. Peña; B. Keating)

**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, these dockets should be closed upon cancellation of the certificate. A protest in one docket should not prevent the action in a separate docket from becoming final.

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DOCKET NO.	PROVIDER LAST REPORTED REVENUES & PERIOD COVERED	CERT. NO	Effective Date of Cancellation
011157-TX	P.V. Tel of Florida, LLC No Previous Return Filed	7337	03/15/01
011158-TX	WorkNet Communications Inc. No Previous Return Filed	7560	03/22/01