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Section 1 - Division of Records and Record

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# Case Scheduling/Rescheduling Advice 05/15/1996

To:		Commissioner Deason	х	Deputy Ex. Director/Technical		Electric & Gas Director
		Commissioner Johnson	x	Appeals Director	х	Records & Reporting Director
		Commissioner Kiesling	х	Legal Director	X	Research Director
		Commissioner Garcia	х	Auditing & Financial Analysis Director		Water & Wastewater Director
	х	Executive Director	х	Communications Director	х	Court Reporter
	х	Public Information Officer	х	Consumer Affairs Director	х	Staff Contact - R. Tudor

From: Office of Chairman Susan F.

Docket No. 960598-TP



le: Request for submission of proposals for provision of relay service, beginning in June 1997, for the hearing and speech impaired, in compliance with the Florida ...

#### 1. Schedule Information

### FPSC-RECORDS/REPORTING

Event	Former Date	New Date	Location	Time
Staff Workshop		06/04/1996	Tallahassee,152	09:30-18:00
Staff Workshop		06/05/1996	Tallahassee,152	09:30-18:00

Remarks: Docket(s): 960598

Change in docket number from 910496. New docket # for proposal submission for provision of relay service.

### 2. Hearing/Prehearing Assignment Information:

#### Former Assignments

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	Co	Hrg. Exam.	Staff				
ALL	CL	DS	JN	KS	GR		
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New or Changed Assignments

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#### Remarks:

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# Case Scheduling/Rescheduling Advice 05/15/1996

To:		Commissioner Deason	х	Deputy Ex. Director/Technical		Electric & Gas Director
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		Commissioner Kiesling	х	Legal Director	х	Research Director
		Commissioner Garcia	х	Auditing & Financial Analysis Director		Water & Wastewater Director
	х	Executive Director	Х	Communications Director	Х	Court Reporter
	Х	Public Information Officer	X	Consumer Affairs Director	х	Staff Contact - R. Tudor

From: Office of Chairman Susan F. Clark

Docket No. 960598-TP

Title: Request for submission of proposals for provision of relay service, beginning in June 1997, for the hearing and speech impaired, in compliance with the Florida ...

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#### 2. Hearing/Prehearing Assignment Information:

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New or Changed Assignments

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#### Case Assignment and Scheduling Record

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Date: 04/24/1997

### Case Scheduling/Rescheduling Advice 10/21/1997

То:		Commissioner Deason	X	Deputy Ex. Director/Technical		Electric & Gas Director
		Commissioner Clark	Х	Appeals Director	X	Records & Reporting Director
		Commissioner Kiesling	X	Legal Director	X	Research Director
		Commissioner Garcia	X	Auditing & Financial Analysis Director		Water & Wastewater Director
	Х	Executive Director	X	Communications Director	х	Court Reporter
	Х	Public Information Officer	Х	Consumer Affairs Director	х	Staff Contact - C Miller

From: Office of Chairman Julia L. Johnson

Docket No. 960598-TP

OCT 28 1997

Request for submission of proposal for provision of relay service beginning in provision of relay service, beginning in June 1997, for the hearing and speech impaired, and other implementation ...

#### 1. Schedule Information

FPSC - Records/Reporting

Event	Former Date	New Date	Location	Time
Staff Meeting		11/13/1997	Tallahassee, 152	13:00-17:00

Remarks: Docket(s): 960598

#### 2. Hearing/Prehearing Assignment Information:

Former Assignments

Hearing

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ALL	JN	DS	CL	KS	GR		

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**Prehearing** Officer

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### Case Scheduling/Rescheduling Advice 10/21/1997

To:		Commissioner Deason	Х	Deputy Ex. Director/Technical		Electric & Gas Director
		Commissioner Clark	х	Appeals Director	X	Records & Reporting Director
		Commissioner Kiesling	Х	Legal Director	х	Research Director
		Commissioner Garcia	х	Auditing & Financial Analysis Director		Water & Wastewater Director
	х	Executive Director	Х	Communications Director	X	Court Reporter
	х	Public Information Officer	X	Consumer Affairs Director	X	Staff Contact - C Miller

From: Office of Chairman Julia L. Johnson

Docket No. 960598-TP

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1. Schedule Information

FPSC - Records/Reporting

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Staff Meeting		11/13/1997	Tallahassee, 152	13:00-17:00
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Remarks: Docket(s): 960598

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Former Assignments

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# Case Scheduling/Rescheduling Advice 04/07/1998

Deputy Ex. Director/Technical Electric & Gas Director To: Commissioner Deason Appeals Director Commissioner Clark х Records & Reporting Director Legal Director Research Director Commissioner Garcia х X Commissioner Jacobs Water & Wastewater Director Auditing & Financial Analysis Director X **Executive Director Communications Director** Court Reporter X Consumer Affairs Director Staff Contact - C Miller Public Information Officer X

From: Office of Chairman Julia L. Johnson

Docket No. 960598-TP

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Request for submission of proposal for provision of relay service, beginning in June 1997, for the hearing and speech impaired, and other implementation ...

FPSC - Records/Reporting

#### 1. Schedule Information

Event	Former Date	New Date	Location	Time
TASA Meeting		05/05/1998	Tallahassee,152	13:00-17:00

Remarks: Involves docket(s) 960598

### 2. Hearing/Prehearing Assignment Information:

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Reason for Reassignment: 1. Unavailability 2. Good Cause 3. Recused 4. Disqualified

Comments: Document ID is 96059802.CCS

#### Case Assignment and Scheduling Record

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Date: 09/30/1998

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# Case Scheduling/Rescheduling Advice 02/11/1999

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To:		Commissioner Deason	X	Deputy Ex. Director/Technical		Electric & Gas Director
		Commissioner Clark	х	Appeals Director	Х	Records & Reporting Director
		Commissioner Johnson	Х	Legal Director	X	Research Director
		Commissioner Jacobs	X	Auditing & Financial Analysis Director		Water & Wastewater Director
	Х	Executive Director	Х	Communications Director	X	Court Reporter
	х	Public Information Officer	Х	Consumer Affairs Director	X	Staff Contact - C Miller

From: Office of Chairman Joe Garcia

Docket No. 960598-TP

Title: Request for submission of proposal for provision of relay service, beginning in June 1997, for the hearing and speech impaired, and other implementation ...

#### 1. Schedule Information

Event	Former Date	New Date	Location	Time			
TASA Meeting		03/08/1999	Tallahassee,152	13:00-17:00			

Remarks: Involves docket(s) 960598-TP

### 2. Hearing/Prehearing Assignment Information:

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Prehearing Officer

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Reason for Reassignment: 1. Unavailability 2. Good Cause 3. Recused 4. Disqualified

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# Case Scheduling/Rescheduling Advice

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To:	Commissioner Deason Commissioner Clark Commissioner Johnson Commissioner Jacobs Executive Director Public Information Officer	X X X X	Deputy Executive Director/Technical Appeals Director Legal Director Auditing & Financial Analysis Director Telecommunications Director Consumer Affairs Director	X X X	Electric & Gas Director Records & Reporting Director PAI Director Water & Wastewater Director Court Reporter Staff Contact - Laura King
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Docket Number: 960598-TP

**Docket Title:** 

Request for submission of proposal for provision of relay service, beginning in June 1997, for the hearing and speec

impaired, and other implementation matters in compliance with the Florida Telecommunications Access System Ac

#### 1. Schedule Information

Event	Former Date	New Date	Location	Time
TASA Meeting		09/13/1999	Tallahassee, Room 152	9:30 AM - 5:00 PM
TASA Meeting		09/14/1999	Tallahassee, Room 152	9:30 AM - 5:00 PM

### 2. Hearing/Prehearing Assignment Information

#### Former Assignments

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## **Prehearing** Officer

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Reason for Revision: A. New Assignment 1. Unavailability 2. Good Cause 3. Recused 4. Disqualified 5. See Remarks

Remarks: Correct beginning time to 9:30 a.m.

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### 2. Hearing/Prehearing Assignment Information

# Hearing Officers

	Con	Hearing Exam.	Staff
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Former Assignments

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DATE: May 14, 1996

FPSC-RECORDS/REPORTING DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (BAYO) TO:

FROM: CINDY MILLER, ASSOCIATE GENERAL COUNSEL

DOCKET NO. 960598-TP - REQUEST FOR SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS RE:

FOR PROVISION OF RELAY SERVICE

Attached is an FAW Notice and a Commission Notice to be issued in the above docket. The FAW Notice must be sent to the Department of State tomorrow.

CBM/jb Attachment

DOCUMENT NO.





# Public Service Commission 3.50 Pm-FPSC-RECORDS/REPORTING

-M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M-

**DATE:** May 30, 1996

TO: BLANCA BAYO, DIRECTOR OF RECORDS AND REPORTING

FROM: CINDY MILLER, OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL

RE: FAW NOTICE AND RECORDS AND REPORTING NOTICE IN DOCKET

NO. 960598-TP

Please send the FAW Notice to the Department of State by next Wednesday and issue the Records and Reporting notice as soon as possible.

CM Attachment

cc: Richard Tudor

Laura King

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-M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M-

**DATE:** June 10, 1996

TO: BLANCA BAYO, DIRECTOR OF RECORDS AND REPORTING

FROM: CINDY MILLER, OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL()

RE: FAW NOTICE AND RECORDS AND REPORTING NOTICE IN DOCKET

NO. 960598-TP

Attached is a Notice of Cancellation of Workshop that is ready to be issued.

CM Attachment

cc: Richard Tudor Laura King

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### -M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M-

**DATE:** June 26, 1996

TO:

Blanco Bayó, Director, Records and Reporting

FROM: Joy Kelly, Chief, Bureau of Reporting

RE:

960598-TP, TELECOMMUNICATIONS WORKSHOP HELD 6-4-96

IN RE:

Request for Submission of Proposals for Provision of Relay Service,

Beginning in June 1997.

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06766, 6-24-96

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Acknowledged by:

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Printed by Don Strickland 6/26/96 \_\_\_\_\_\_ From: Laura King To: Don Strickland Subject: fwd: DOCKET 960598 \*-----CC: Richard Tudor ..... Please add the following as parties to Docket 960598. Thanks Mr. Robert Giuntoli FRS Program Mgr. Southeast Financial Center 200 S. Biscayne Blvd. Suite 600 Miami, Fl. 33131-5310 Phone 305-372-7212 Sprint - TI793 Ms. Brandi Rarus

11:30am

Ms. Brandi Rarus 1321 Rutherford #120 Austin, TX 78753 Phone 512-873-100 FAX 512-873-1075

Ms. La Rain Cikota Renz 1200 Peachtree Street, NE Atlanta,Ga 30309-3523

Thank you.

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#### Florida League of Seniors Position Vacant

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Mr. Jack Spooner - IXC Rep. 106 E. College Ave Suite 1400 Tallahassee P1 32301 (904) 425-6340

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Thank for.

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

#### NOTICE OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACCESS SYSTEM ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

TO ALL PARTIES AND OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS

DOCKET NO. 960598-TP

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR PROVISION OF RELAY SERVICES

ISSUED: <u>June</u> 3. 1996

NOTICE is hereby given that the Florida Public Service Commission will hold an advisory committee meeting in the docket at the following time and place:

> 9:30 a.m., July 15, 1996 Room 152, Betty Easley Conference Center 4075 Esplanade Way Tallahassee, Florida

#### PURPOSE:

To finalize the Request for Proposals for Relay Service beginning in June, 1997 and to appoint two Advisory Committee members to serve as proposal evaluators.

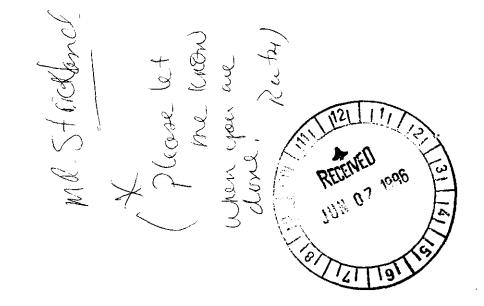
Further information regarding this meeting may be obtained from Richard Tudor, Division of Communications at the Florida Public Service Commission, by calling (904) 413-6516.

By DIRECTION of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 3rd day of June, 1996.

Division of Records and Reporting

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-M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M-

**DATE:** July 31, 1996

TO: BLANCA BAYO, DIRECTOR OF RECORDS AND REPORTING

FROM: CINDY MILLER, OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL

RE: FAW NOTICE AND RECORDS AND REPORTING NOTICE IN DOCKET

NO. 960598-TP

Please send the FAW Notice to the Department of State today and issue the Records and Reporting notice as soon as possible.

CBM/jb Attachment

cc: Richard Tudor

Laura King

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#### -M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M-

DATE:

August 7, 1996

TO:

Blanco Bayó, Director, Records and Reporting

FROM: Joy Kelly, Chief, Bureau of Reporting

RE:

960598-TP, ADIVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 7-15-96

IN RE:

Request for Submission of Proposals for Provision of Relay Service,

Beginning in June, 1997.

DOCUMENT NO. 08219, 8-6-96

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**DATE:** August 30, 1996

TO: Blanca Bayó, Director, Records and Reporting

FROM: Joy Kelly, Chief, Bureau of Reporting

RE: Bidders Conference held 8-28-96

IN RE: Request for Submission of Proposals for Provision of Relay Service,

Beginning in June, 1997.

DOCUMENT NO. 09150, 8-28-96

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-M-E-M-O-R DISCUSSION

DATE: September 20, 1996

DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (BAYO) 10.25

FROM: OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL (MILLER) PESC-RECORDS/REPORTING

RE: DOCKET NO. 960598A-TP - TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACCESS SYSTEM

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Please send out this Order at your earliest convenience.

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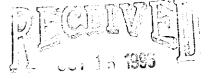
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October 14, 1996

Ms. Geri Young 20263 Hacienda Ct. Boca Raton, FL 33498

Dear Ms. Young:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

Sincerely,

Don McDonald

U.S./Comm. Engineer Supervisor Bureau of Service Evaluation

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Mr. Lewis Gompers 888 Sun Acres Lane Boynton Beach, FL 33437

Dear Mr. Gompers:

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Don McDonald

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Ms. Mary Louise Balli 5101-C N. Ocean Blvd. Ocean Ridge, FL 33435

Dear Ms. Balli:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

Sincerely,

Don McDonald

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Mr. & Mrs. Joel M. Udelson 4223 N.W. 83 Lane Coral Springs, FL 33065-1319

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Udelson:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

Sincerely,

Don McDonald

U.S./Comm. Engineer Supervisor Bureau of Service Evaluation

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October 14, 1996

Bobby & Edith Steinman 7832 Rockford Road Boynton Beach, FL 33437

Dear Bobby & Edith Steinman:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

Sincerely,

Don McDonald

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October 14, 1996

Mr. Bernard Luber 21641 NW 3rd St. Box 308 Pembroke Pines, FL 33029

Dear Mr. Luber:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

Sincerely,

Don McDonald

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Ms. Sara Winchester 12660 Thicket Ridge Drive Jacksonville, FL 32258

Dear Ms. Winchester:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

Sincerely,

Don McDonald

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Ms. Greta Goodman 7340 Lake Circle Dr. #405 Margate, FL 33063

Dear Ms. Goodman:

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Sincerely,

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Ms. Alice D. Weingart 4145 Cypress Reach Court Pompano Beach, FL 33069

Dear Ms. Weingart:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

Sincerely.

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Mr. Michael J. Bove 607 S. State Rd 7 Margate, FL 33068

Dear Mr. Bove:

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Sincerely,

Don McDonald

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Mr. Joseph S. Pomichowski 7622 Santee Terrace Lake Worth, FL 33467

Dear Mr. Pomichowski:

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Mr. Richard Gluckman 10768 Oueen Palm Ct. Boca Raton, FL 33498

Dear Mr. Gluckman:

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October 14, 1996

Mr. Felix H. Matzat, Jr. 191 E. Lansdowne Ave. Orange City, FL 32763-4935

Dear Mr. Matzat, Jr.:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

Sincerely,

Don McDonald

U.S./Comm. Engineer Supervisor Bureau of Service Evaluation

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October 14, 1996

Robert & Geneva Lange 9 Flamingo Drive St. Augustine, FL 32084

Dear Robert & Geneva Lange:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

Sincerely,

Don McDonald

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October 14, 1996

Ms. Rita L. Slater P. O. Box 860235 St. Augustine, FL 32086

Dear Ms. Slater:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

Sincerely,

Don McDonald

U.S./Comm. Engineer Supervisor Bureau of Service Evaluation

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October 14, 1996

Mr. William Wheeler 4601 SW 30th Way Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33312

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

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Sincerely,

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October 14, 1996

Ms. Frances Urgola 838 W. Palmetto Park Road Boca Raton, FL 33486

Dear Ms. Urgola:

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Don McDonald

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October 16, 1996

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Mr. Tom Mayes 6989 Camden Court Margate, FL 33063

Dear Mr. Mayes:

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October 16, 1996

FPSC-RECORDS/REPORTING

Ms. Margie Gompers 888 Sun Acres Lane Boynton Beach, FL 33436

Dear Ms. Gompers:

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October 16, 1996

FPSC-RECORDS/REPORTING

Ms. Shirley Lerner 260 NW 76th Ave. #208 Margate, FL 33063-4862

Dear Ms. Lerner:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

Sincerely,

Don McDonald



Commissioners: SUSAN F. CLARK, CHAIRMAN J. TERRY DEASON JULIA L. JOHNSON DIANE K. KIESLING JOE GARCIA



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FPSC-RECORDS/REPORTING

October 16, 1996

Mrs. Loretta Hamel 4025 N. Federal Hwy #B-213 Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33308

Dear Mrs. Hamel:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

Sincerely,

Don McDonald

U.S./Comm. Engineer Supervisor Bureau of Service Evaluation

M. T. Barrell M. Market

Commissioners: SUSAN F. CLARK, CHAIRMAN J. TERRY DEASON JULIA L. JOHNSON DIANE K. KIESLING JOE GARCIA



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Ms. Elaine E. Anderson 16 Barcelona Ave. St. Augustine, FL 32084

Dear Ms. Anderson:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

Sincerely,

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Victoria M. & Donald B. Cooler 332 Cypress Road St. Augustine, FL 32086

Dear Victoria & Donald Cooler:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

Sincerely,

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Dear Ms. Tvede:

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Mr. William Wheeler 4601 SW 30th Way Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33312

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

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Richard & Dorothy Summers 1109 W. Smith St. Orlando, FL 32804

Dear Richard & Dorothy Summers:

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October 21, 1996

Ms. Nina Strader 13139 SE 49th Ct. Belleview, FL 34420

Dear Ms. Strader:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

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October 21, 1996

Mr. Ronald Spencer
President
Bay Area Deaf Senior Citizens, Inc.
P. O. Box 8543
Celarwater, FL 34618-8543

Dear Mr. Spencer:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

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October 21, 1996

Mr. Joe Shouppe
1st Vice-President
St. Petersburg Association of the Deaf, Inc.
P. O. Box 2730
St. Petersburg, FL 33780

Dear Mr. Shouppe:

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October 21, 1996

Ms. Lisa T. Purdy 8200 NW 47th St. Lauderhill, FL 33351

Dear Ms. Purdy:

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October 21, 1996

Rosemary & Harold Nikolaus 7380 NW 18th St., #101 Margate, FL 33063-6871

Dear Rosemary & Harold Nikolaus:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

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October 21, 1996

Mr. William C. Neal Secretary St. Petersburg Association of the Deaf, Inc. P. O. Box 2730 St. Petersburg, FL 33780

Dear Mr. Neal:

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October 21, 1996

Mr. Ira Lerner 260 NW 76th Ave. Margate, FL 33063-4847

Dear Mr. Lerner:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

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Lawrence & Thelma Leitson 2924 Raeford Rd. Orlando, FL 32806

Dear Lawrence & Thelma Leitson:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

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Faye F. Kegan 2405 Winona Ave. Leesburg, FL 34748-5428

Dear Faye F. 2405 Winona Ave. Leesburg, FL 34748-5428:

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October 21, 1996

Ms. Joyce A. Godbey 4439 Davis Road Lake Worth, FL 33461

Dear Ms. Godbey:

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Mr. Franklin G. Crespo, Sr. 8200 NW 47th St. Lauderhill, FL 33351

Dear Mr. Crespo, Sr.:

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Mr. & Mrs. William A. Campos 29 Walcott Drive Boynton Beach, FL 33462

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Campos:

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## Public Service Commission

October 21, 1996

Ms. Marie E. Boyd 9812 62nd Terrace S. Apt A Boynton Beach, FL 33437

Dear Ms. Boyd:

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October 21, 1996

Mr. John W. Blaylock President St. Petersburg Association of the Deaf, Inc. P. O. Box 2730 St. Petersburg, FL 33780

Dear Mr. Blaylock:

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October 21, 1996

Mr. Maurice Abenchuchan 3984 Sea Eagle Circle St. Augustine, FL 32086

Dear Mr. Abenchuchan:

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October 23, 1996

Ms. Elaine Anderson: C/O Florida School for the Deaf and Blind 207 N. San Marco Avenue St. Augustine, FL 32084-2799

Dear Ms. Anderson:

Thank you for taking time to write Mr. Richard Tudor concerning the results of the survey question dealing with the Florida Relay Service. We also appreciate your encouraging students at the school to write giving us their first hand experience. As you are aware, we are in the process of evaluating bids from AT&T, MCI, and Sprint and expect to award the contract in December.

Sincerely,

Don McDonald

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October 23, 1996

Mr. Vito and Mrs. Anshea Cinquemani 122 Mayfair Lane Boynton Beach, FL 33462

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Cinquemani:

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October 23, 1996

Ms. Eleanor S. Corella 6718 Parkway Drive North Margate, FL 33068

Dear Ms. Corella:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

Sincerely,

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October 23, 1996

Ms. Gertrude Deitch 7320 Lake Circle Drive, Unit #406 Margate, FL 33060

Dear Ms. Deitch:

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Sincerely,

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Mr. Louis and Mrs. Julia Palumbo 7310 NW 18th Street, Unit #103 Margate, FL 33063-6858

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Palumbo:

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Ms. Nanette Roberts 5937 Forest Hill Blvd., Apt. #206 West Palm Beach, FL 33415

Dear Ms. Roberts:

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October 23, 1996

Mr. Saul and Mrs. Bertha Schiff 7205 NW 4th Place, Apt. 107 Margate, FL 33063-4252

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Schiff:

We thank both of you for taking time to write Mr. Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

Sincerely,

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October 23, 1996

Ms. Eleanor Struble 2300 Park Lane, Apt. #309 Hollywood, FL 33021

Dear Ms. Struble:

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Mr. Bodil C. Tvede 9812A 62nd Terr. South Boynton, FL 33437

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October 24, 1996

Mr. Tyson Zimmerman C/O Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind 207 North San Marco Avenue St. Augustine, FL 32084

Dear Mr. Zimmerman:

Thank you for taking time to write Ms. Blanco Bayo outlining your experience(s) with the Florida Relay Service. Your comments are both informative and timely as we are in the process of evaluating bids from AT&T, MCI, and Sprint and expect to award the contract in December.

Sincerely,

Don McDonald

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October 24, 1996

Mr. Terrence W. Toppin, President
Palm Beach County Association of the Deaf, Inc.
10 Via Sorrento
Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33418

Dear Mr. Toppin:

Thank you for taking time to write Mr. Richard Tudor outlining your experience(s) with the Florida Relay Service. Your comments are both informative and timely as we are in the process of evaluating bids from AT&T, MCI, and Sprint and expect to award the contract in December.

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October 24, 1996

Ms. Melisa Johnson C/O Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind 207 North San Marco Avenue St. Augustine, FL 32084

Dear Ms. Johnson:

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October 24, 1996

Ms. Jessie Horton C/O Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind 207 North San Marco Avenue St. Augustine, FL 32084

Dear Ms. Horton:

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October 24, 1996

Ms. Deanna Heaton 5908 Pine Creek Drive St. Augustine, FL 32092

Dear Ms. Heaton:

Thank you for taking time to write Ms. Blanco Bayo outlining your experience(s) with the Florida Relay Service. Your comments are both informative and timely as we are in the process of evaluating bids from AT&T, MCI, and Sprint and expect to award the contract in December.

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Ms. Angie Guettler C/O Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind 207 North San Marco Avenue St. Augustine, FL 32084

Dear Ms. Guettler:

Thank you for taking time to write Ms. Blanco Bayo outlining your experience(s) with the Florida Relay Service. Your comments are both informative and timely as we are in the process of evaluating bids from AT&T, MCI, and Sprint and expect to award the contract in December.

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October 24, 1996

Ms. Kwanza Granger C/O Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind 207 North San Marco Avenue St. Augustine, FL 32084

Dear Ms. Granger:

Thank you for taking time to write Ms. Blanco Bayo outlining your experience(s) with the Florida Relay Service. Your comments are both informative and timely as we are in the process of evaluating bids from AT&T, MCI, and Sprint and expect to award the contract in December.

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October 24, 1996

Mr. Tony Gardner C/O Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind 207 North San Marco Avenue St. Augustine, FL 32084

Dear Mr. Gardner:

Thank you for taking time to write Ms. Blanco Bayo outlining your experience(s) with the Florida Relay Service.

Please be advised that you have the option of requesting that your call be handled by either a female or male communications assistant.

Since we are in the process of evaluating bids from AT&T, MCI, and Sprint and expect to award the contract in December, your comments are both informative and timely.

Sincerely,

Don McDonald

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October 24, 1996

Mr. William (Bebo) E. Cooper C/O Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind 207 North San Marco Avenue St. Augustine, FL 32084

Dear Mr. Cooper:

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Mr. Ryan Carrera C/O Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind 207 North San Marco Avenue St. Augustine, FL 32084

Dear Mr. Carrera:

Thank you for taking time to write Ms. Blanco Bayo outlining your experience(s) with the Florida Relay Service. Your comments are both informative and timely as we are in the process of evaluating bids from AT&T, MCI, and Sprint and expect to award the contract in December.

Sincerely,

Don McDonald

U.S./Comm. Engineer Supervisor Bureau of Service Evaluation

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### Public Service Commission

October 24, 1996

Ms. Carla Anchondo C/O Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind 207 North San Marco Avenue St. Augustine, FL 32084

Dear Ms. Anchondo:

Thank you for taking time to write Ms. Blanco Bayo outlining your experience(s) with the Florida Relay Service (FRS).

All FRS personnel are aware that every conversation is confidential and is not to be discussed with anyone but the parties on the call. While we understand that the request for your mother to say "Go Ahead" may seem awkward, it does help the operator as some people make long pauses between words. Therefore, the operator may not know whether the person is done speaking or is merely taking a breath if they don't get a statement such as "Go Ahead."

Since we are in the process of evaluating bids from AT&T, MCI, and Sprint and expect to award the contract in December, your comments are appreciated as they are both informative and timely.

Sincerely,

Don McDonald

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# Public Service Commission

October 25, 1996

Mr. Dennis J. Walsh 24 Misty Falls Drive Ormon Beach, FL 32174

Dear Mr. Walsh:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

Sincerely,

Don McDonald

U.S./Comm. Engineer Supervisor Bureau of Service Evaluation

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# Public Service Commission

October 25, 1996

Mr. A. H. and Mrs. Teresa Van Loon 5105 Sunrise Blvd Orlando, FL 32803

Dear Mr. A. H. Van Loon:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

Sincerely,

Don McDonald

U.S./Comm. Engineer Supervisor Bureau of Service Evaluation

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# Public Service Commission

October 25, 1996

Mr. Martin S. Price C/O Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind 207 North San Marco Avenue St. Augustine, FL 32084

Dear Mr. Price:

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es: Docket No. 960598-TP/

From: Richard Tudor To: Laura King Subject: fwd: ATT

In ATT's letter of 10/28 answering clarification questions, in question 8, ATT asks for the return of its original bid security deposit since it has now filed a replacement. Talk to Kay Flynn or Don Strickland and ask them how we go about returning that and send it back.

Fwd=by:=Laura=King====10/30/96==3:14pm= Fwd to: Don Strickland, Kay Flynn

Don or Kay can you please let me know what I need to do-this is part of Docket 960598? Thanks

Fwd=by:=Kay=Flynn=====10/30/96==3:48pm=

Fwd to: Laura King

CC: Don Strickland, Richard Tudor 

Laura, you or Richard should send RAR (you can direct it to me) a memo repeating what you've said in this e-mail, and I will use it as a basis for returning the deposit document.

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# Public Service Commission

October 31, 1996



Ms. Ruth S. Brown 6 Walcott Drive Boynton Beach, FL 33462-7008

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Dear Ms. Brown:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

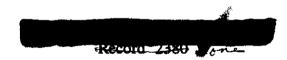
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# Public Service Commission

October 31, 1996

Ms. Ronnie Mae Tyson C/O State of Florida Department of Labor and Employment Security Division of Vocational Rehabilitation 2457 U. S. Highway 1 South St. Augustine, FL 32081

Dear Ms. Tyson:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

Sincerely,

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# Public Service Commission

October 31, 1996

Mr. Lester and Mrs. Donna Mecklem 3350 N. E. 17 Way Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33334

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Mecklem:

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Sincerely,

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October 31, 1996

Mr. Anthony Lodese 313 Pine Ridge Circle, A-1 Green Acres, FL 33467

Dear Mr. Lodese:

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Sincerely,

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October 31, 1996

Ms. Nellie Joseph 5076 Minto Road Boynton Beach, FL 33437

Dear Ms. Joseph:

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Sincerely,

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Ms. Romaine Tartonis 12-B Ridgepoint Drive Boynton Beach, FL 33435

Dear Ms. Tartonis:

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November 4, 1996

Mr. Giro J. and Mrs. Mary Jane Marino 17753 S.E. 95th Court Summerfield, FL 34491

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Marino:

Thank you for your letters to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

Sincerely,

Don McDonald

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November 4, 1996

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Mr. Edward Oulton 131 E. 9th Street Salida, CO 81201

Dear Mr. Oulton:

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Sincerely,

Don McDonald

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November 4, 1996

Mr. Normand A. Martin 1507 W. Schwartz Blvd. Lady Lake, FL 32159

Dear Mr. Martin:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

Sincerely,

Don McDonald

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cc: Docket No. 960

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Ms. Mary Lou Mistretta 408 N.W. 68th Avenue, Unit #206 Plantation, FL 33317

Dear Ms. Mistretta:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

Sincerely,

Don McDonald

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November 4, 1996

Mr. John D. and Mrs. Patricia D. Foskett 1640 E. Harwood Street Orlando, FL 32803-5507

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Foskett:

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Sincerely,

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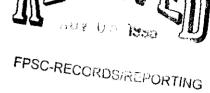
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November 4, 1996

Ms. Carmen S. Tiberio 46 Menendez Road St. Augustine, FL 32084

Dear Ms. Tiberio:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

Sincerely,

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November 4, 1996

Mr. Tim and Mrs. Tina Wata 7651 Eldorado Place Orlando, FL 32818-3045

Dear Mr. and Mrs Wata:

Thank you for your letter to Richard Tudor concerning the provisioning of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. We currently are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the bid in December.

Sincerely,

Don McDonald

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November 4, 1996

Mr. Willie C. Robinson
Region VIII Administrator
Florida Department of Labor and Employment Security
Division of Jobs and Benefits -- Region VIII
8300 NW 53rd Street, Suite 200
Miami, Fl 33166

Dear Mr. Robinson:

Thank you for taking time to write Mr. Richard Tudor concerning your experiences with the Florida Telecommunications Relay Service. Your comments are both appreciated and timely as we are in the process of evaluating bids from MCI, Sprint, and AT&T and expect to award the contract in December.

Sincerely,

Don McDonald

U.S./Comm. Engineer Supervisor Bureau of Service Evaluation

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Docket No. 96 18 TP



# Public Service Commission

#### State of Florida

### -M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M-

DATE: December 5, 1996

TO: Blanca Bayó, Director, Records and Reporting

FROM: Joy Kelly, Chief, Bureau of Reporting

RE: 960598-TP, ITEM 3 OF 12-2-96 AGENDA CONFERENCE

IN RE:

Request for submission of proposals for provision of relay service, beginning in June 1997, for the hearing and speech impaired, in compliance with the Florida Telecommunications Access System Act of 1991.

DOCUMENT NO. 12943, 12-3-96

The transcript for the above-described hearing has been completed and is forwarded for placement in the docket file, including attachments.

Please note that Staff distribution of this transcript was made to:

**CMU** 

The following exhibits are being filed with this transcript:

**NONE** 

The following exhibits have not been furnished to the Bureau of Reporting to date and do not accompany this transcript:

**NONE** 

Acknowledged by:
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13221 Woodland Park Road Herndon, VA 20171

December 4, 1996

Mr. Richard Tudor c/o Ms. Blanca Bayo Division of Records and Reporting The Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850



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RE: Docket No. 966899 TV

Dear Mr. Tudor:

Regarding your letter dated December 2, 1996, Sprint Communications Company, L.P. (Sprint) is hereby filing this notice of protest as required by law. Additionally, in accordance with the applicable Florida Statutes, Sprint will be filing within 10 days of this letter a detailed written protest.

If you need any additional information, please contact the undersigned at (703) 904-2215.

Sincerely,

Regina Woelfle

Contract Administrator

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Public Service Commission

January 15, 1997

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Mr. Robert & Mrs. Geneva Lange 9 Flamingo Drive St. Augustine, Florida 32084

FPSC-RECORDS/REPORTING

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Lange:

Thank you for your letter dated November 26, 1996, regarding the selection of MCI as Florida's relay service provider. I would like to begin by providing some information on the selection procedure. On August 14, 1996, the Commission issued its Request for Proposals (RFP) for relay service. The RFP described the relay service that should be provided beginning June 1, 1997 and outlined the proposal evaluation procedure. Each bidder was required to submit its bid on the basis of a three-year contract. Bids were received from 1) AT&T Communications of the Southern States, Inc. (AT&T), 2) MCI Telecommunications Corporation (MCI), and 3) Sprint Communications Company, Limited Partnership (Sprint).

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Based on the evaluation by the PRC of the technical proposals and the results of the price proposals, MCI received the highest score. As a result, the Commission voted on December 2, 1996 to contract with MCI to provide relay service under the new contact beginning June 1, 1997.

Thank you again for your letter. I hope the above information is helpful in understanding how and why MCI was selected. If you have any further questions, please contact me.

Sincerely.

Julia L. Johnson

Chairman/

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Robert and Geneva Lange 9 Flamingo Drive St. Augustine, FL 32004 (904) \$24-3279 TTY

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Ms. Susan F. Clark
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VIA FAX - 904-413-6041

Dear Madame Chair,

We've just learned that MCI has been recommended provider of the relay services in Florida -again—after five neiserable years of terrible service. Why are the pleas of the deaf and hard of hearing citizens of Florida being ignored?

We look to government to be fair and equitable in the provision of services to its citizens. It seems grossly unfair that the general public has the choice of several telephone companies to provide the service, but we have to take the crumbs literally by having imposed on us the wome telephone relay provider for relay services – that is MC!

We have been in contact with deaf leaders throughout the country and the consensus in that Sprint (in second place) is the best in term of efficiency, courtery, and speed. And to think Sprint lost by .004 because MCI offered a lower pricing formula. It spells horror for us because the lowered price will unquestionably result in an even poorer quality of services to be offered to us during the next three years.

Maryland, Iowa, Minnesota, and Moutana got the lowest price from MCI, but their state governments chose to respond to the needs of the deaf and hard of hearing people in their states by giving the contracts to Sprint. Can't Florida do the same?

We are appealing to you Commissioners to overturn the recommendation, re-open the bids, or re-evaluate the whole process. Please restore our faith in the State of Florida!

Sincerely.

Robert & Gonera Lange Robert and Geneva Lange

> Terry Deason, Commissioner Julia L. Johnson, Commissioner Diane K. Kiesling, Commissioner

### State of Florida

Julia L. Johnson Chairman



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Public Service Commission

January 15, 1997

Ms. Rita Slater Post Office Box 860235 St. Augustine, Florida 32086

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Dear Ms. Slater:

Thank you for your letter regarding the selection of MCI as Florida's relay service provider. I would like to begin by providing some information on the selection procedure. On August 14, 1996, the Commission issued its Request for Proposal (RFP) for relay service. The RFP described the relay service that should be provided beginning June 1, 1997. Each bidder was required to submit its bid on the basis of a three-year contract. Bids were received from 1) AT&T Communications of the Southern States, Inc. (AT&T), 2) MCI Telecommunications Corporation (MCI), and 3) Sprint Communications Company, Limited Partnership (Sprint).

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Based on the evaluation by the PRC of the technical proposals and the results of the price proposals, staff recommended that a letter of intent be issued notifying all bidders that MCI should be awarded the contract as Provider of the Florida Telecommunications Relay System. The letter of intent was sent by certified mail on December 3, 1996.

Thank you again for your letter. I hope the above information is helpful in understanding how MCI was selected. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mr. Richard Tudor at 904-413-6516.

Sincerely

Julia L. Johnson

Chairman

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P.D. BOX 8602 St. Augustina, Fl

TO: Ms. Susan F. Clark, Chairman

Florida Public Service Commission

FAX: 904-413-6395

FROM: Rita L. Slater 904-794-6993 FAX

DATE: November 26, 1996

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MESSAGE:

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Dear Ms. Clark,

I have just learned that Motwa's selected to grow to provide the Relay Service to Florida for another three years. I was disappointed with the decision and want to take the opportunity to express my concerns.

I understand that the evulation process was established to give a fair chance to each of the vendors participating and yet, it does not focus on the larger issues. The evaluation was correct in scoring Sprint as the highest technical bidder. Technology should be the most important factor, and giving it 60 percent of the score is not enough. It deserves a higher percentage than that,

For residents of Florida and deat persons, the relay service has great impact on our ability to function and perform well in society. We, the deaf consumers, rely on you people to make decisions about how OUR telecommunication needs will be met and we expect you to meet our needs by providing the highest qualified service. It is WE, the deaf consumers using relay service, who should make the choice.

The quality of service provided by MCI during the past several years is far less than ideal. I dread the thought of continuing another three years with MCI. Imagine yourself preferring to any free TDD 800 numbers than using the current relay service. Imagine yourself dreading to use MCI's relay service while making important calls. Imagine yourself becoming frustrated while making calls through the relay service. Imagaine yourself hoping to get a qualified communication operator every time you place a call through MCi's relay service. Imagine yourself ending after a frustrated call rather than continuing with added calls. Imagine yourself hanging up immediately after recognizing a poorly-qualified communication operator. Imagine yourself trying to make sense of a long call on tape by crossing out mispelling and errors in each line. Imagine yourself preferring to send messages by fax to businesses, which is exactly what I am doing with this message. Not only we, the deaf consumers, but several hearing people, also have complained about the quality of service provided by MCI. My carpet cleaner recently asked me the prices of TDD machines. I asked him why and he said he was dissatisfied with MCI's service and felt he would have better communications with deaf customers by owning a TDD machine. These problems mentioned above are just a few of the many complaints going on amongst the deaf of Florida.

Sprint had the highest score in quality. With good quality, comes a higher cost. Yet, their proposed price per minute was still ten cents less than what the state is paying today. You selected MCI because it offered a cheaper service, yet we would suffer another three years of less-than-desirable quality. Obviously, you chose cheaper cost over quality service which the deaf people prefer. You can select a service that assures the best quality and still allows you to pay less than what you are paying today.

I am asking you to reconsider and change your recommendation for MCI. I ask you to re-evaluate the evaluation process and give higher points for technical quality. I ask that you to listen to us, deaf consumers who depend on and deserve the best qualified relay service. I ask you to think how you would feel if you were in our shoes.

I understand that there is some problems right now in California with MCI (my deaf brother and daughter live there). It shows clearly how the trustration of consumers who have been forced to switch to a vendor that was chosen by the state instead of the people who use it. We don't want that here in Florida.

Thank you.

Reten L. Slater

### State of Florida

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**Bublic Service Commission** 

January 15, 1997

Mr. Thomas A. Mayes, Ph.D. 6989 Camden Court Margate, Florida 33063

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Dear Dr. Mayes:

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Sincerely

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Florida Public Service Comm. Commissioner Clark Nov. 24, 1996

Susan Clark
Chair
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Dear Commissioner Clark:

I have been informed that the Florida Public Service Commission intends to renew the MCI contract to provide telecommunications services to deaf and hard of hearing people in Florida for the next three years. I would like to register a protest.

According to the PSC announcement (11/20/ 1996) SPRINT received the highest evaluation score for service capability and quality, while MCI offered the lowest cost. Let me quote a statement made by Dr. Roslyn Rosen, Vice President for Academic Affairs at Gallaudet University and an internationally known spokesperson for deaf people:

"As we deaf people know, access without quality mocks the law and dismisses us as human beings."

My wife and I have been daily consumers of the Florida Relay Services since its inception. We count among our dearest friends key people on the staff of MCI and FRS and we have sincere concerns for their welfare. However, placing principle above politics, we cannot say that we are getting the best possible services from FRS. We never know from one call to the next what kind of help we will get from MCI--will the Communication Assistant be able to spell all the words in an important business call correctly? Will the CA be able to type decently and at a speed specified for their employment? Too often we are disappointed. Apparently the Miami area is not a good job market for finding competent and efficient CAs.

Accompanying this letter is a copy of one written by Leslie Elion, a deaf attorney in San Diego, a professional person who depends on first rate relay services. The State of California was formerly served by SPRINT. Now it deals with MCI. Ms Elion emphatically expresses her dissatisfaction with MCI as compared to SPRINT.

Frankly, I feel dismissed. I feel my needs are being ignored in order to save money. If the millions of

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hearing people in Florida made a protest about their phone services, I am sure their protests would be heeded. But, for a disabled person . . . is the PSC equally concerned?

Sincerely yours,

Thomas A. Mayes, Ph.D. 6989 Camden Court

Margate, FL 33063

cc:Terry Deason

Julia L. Johnson Diane K. Kiesling

(enclosure)

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**TO:** 

Wesley M. Franklin, Executive Director, CPUC>(618) 708-1788 Sharon Safron, Customer Affairs Manager, DDTP>(510) 287-2931

MAYES

DATE:

15 Nevember 1998 California Rulay Service

Dear Mr. Franklin and Ms. Safron:

I am a lawyer and a Danf consumer. I use the California Relay Service taily for myriad reasons, both personal and professional. The transition from Sprint to MCI, however, has equeed an essatidate inconvenience and embarrasement, as well as untold frustration. If I could, I would turn to another provider to place intrestate calls, but California's failure to most the "functional equivalency" requirement of \$401. 47 U.S.C. \$225(2)(3) of the Americans with Disabilities Act procludes we from exercising that right.

Let me enumerate some of the many examples of incompetent service I have encountered. From or nonexistent spalling, Typing speed that even a high schooler could exceed. Inadequate vocabulary. Unfamiliarity with the keyboard, resulting in improperly pressing the "interrupt" or "numbers" keys. Inadequate command of English skills, both written and spoken. Onission of information in a relayed conversation. Failure to identify CRS. Plustered operators. Bungled conversations. And these are not the least of the problems that now plague CRS and showtomage Deaf and hearing users alike.

Clearly, the CPUC and DDTP have failed to discharge their responsibilities to the Deaf and hearing people of California. In selecting the lowest bidder without determining its readiness to essume the rains, you have jeopardized rainy nervices, driven out secondary carriers who cannot reasonably make a profit, and obsated TTY users who are isgally entitled to multivastor obvices.

The bidding process must be changed to prevent a recurrence of this debacio. In addition, remedial action must be taken both to bring the relay services up to par and to institute functional r privalency as mendated by law. If you do nothing, I can assure you that you will be faced with a sines-action suit, and the FCC will be partitioned to decently the failfornia Relay Service.

Quality should never he escrificed to economies. But the CPUC and DDTP have evidently done just that. Congressiations. You have succeeded in transferming California's impressive relay services into one of the worst in the nation.

I expect to see corrective action taken, and soon.

Latin Man, Par.

### State of Florida

Julia L. Johnson Chairman



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### Public Service Commission

January 23, 1997

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Mr. John W. Blaylock, President Mr. William C. Neal, Secretary St. Petersburg Association of the Deaf, Inc. 7190 76th Street, North Pinellas Park, Florida 33780

Dear Messrs. Blaylock and Neal:

Thank you for your letter regarding the selection of MCI as Florida's relay service provider. I would like to begin by providing some information on the selection procedure. On August 14, 1996, the Commission issued its Request for Proposal (RFP) for relay service. The RFP described the relay service that should be provided beginning June 1, 1997. Each bidder was required to submit its bid on the basis of a three-year contract. Bids were received from 1) AT&T Communications of the Southern States, Inc. (AT&T), 2) MCI Telecommunications Corporation (MCI), and 3) Sprint Communications Company, Limited Partnership (Sprint).

A point system was used for evaluating the proposals. A weight of 60% was given to the technical aspect of the proposal and a weight of 40% was given to the price aspect of the proposal; thus, the technical aspect received a 50% greater weight than price. The Proposals Review Committee (PRC), consisting of three Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) staff members and two Advisory Committee members, evaluated each technical proposal. The price proposals were submitted in sealed envelopes separate from the company's technical proposal and were opened on November 18, 1996. This arduous review process took some six weeks to complete.

Based on the evaluation by the PRC of the technical proposals and the results of the price proposals, staff recommended that a letter of intent be issued notifying all bidders that MCI should be awarded the contract as Provider of the Florida Telecommunications Relay System. The letter of intent was sent by certified mail on December 3, 1996.

The Chairman is unable to respond to you directly regarding this matter because Commissioners are prohibited by Florida Statutes from receiving or initiating communications off the record involving open dockets. Nevertheless, I will place your letter on the correspondence side of the docket file where it will be available for review.

Messrs. Blaylock and Neal January 23, 1997 Page Two

Thank you again for your letter. I hope the above information is helpful in understanding how MCI was selected. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mr. Richard Tudor at 904-413-6516.

Sincerely,

Curtis J. Williams

Assistant to the Chairman

cc: Division of Records and Reporting Division of Communications

DN 960500-TP

# St. Petersburg Association of the Deaf, Inc.



November 25, 1996

Susan F. Clark Chairman Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Dear Ms. Clark,

It has come to our attention that the evaluation team of the Florida Public Service Commission is recommending that MCI be awarded a three-year contract to run the relay service in Florida. This recommendation is based on a difference of .004 point. Sprint scored highest in technical quality. Cost-cutting means downsizing and MCI's offer of a lower price foretells a continued record of poor service. The deaf people of Florida are looking for better service than in the past, and are protesting this recommendation.

We implore the Commission to turn down the recommendation for MCI, re-evaluate the process, and give higher points for technical ability. Please give this your urgent attention. We deserve better.

On behalf of all deaf and hard of hearing in Florida,

Sincerely yours,

William C. Neal, Secretary

CC: Terry Dearson

Julia L. Johnson

Diane K. Kiesling

John W. Blaylock, President

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Florida Public Service Comm.
Commissioner Clark



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**DATE:** February 26, 1997

**TO:** Parties of Record in Dockets 870248, 900039, 910022, 910029, 910529, 911185,

921193, 920260, 921074, 930173, 930330, 940020, 941281, 950699, 950701, 950737, 950778, 950984, 950985, 951069, 951123, 951145, 951511, 951522, 951560, 960090, 960100, 960254, 960290, 960554, 960298, 960665, 960786, 960811, 960938, 960904, 960910, 960932, 961088, 961150, 961173, 961195, 961230, 961323, 961333, 961341,

961346, 961499, 970077, 970114, 970157, 970166, 970172, 970173, and 970226

FROM: Blanca S. Bayó, Director of Records and Reporting 650 14

**RE:** Contact Regarding Employment

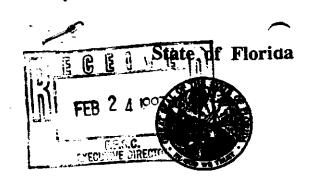
Section 5.02 B.1.c. of the Commission's Administrative Procedures Manual requires that all parties in affected dockets be notified if a staff member involved in any of those dockets indicates that he or she has been approached regarding employment by a party in the docket(s).

As a party in one or more of the referenced dockets, you are hereby notified that Charles J. Rehwinkel, Assistant to Commissioner Deason, has advised the Commission that he was contacted by Sprint Corporation regarding employment.

#### BSB:kf

cc: Commissioner J. Terry Deason

William D. Talbott James A. Ward Mary A. Bane Robert D. Vandiver Charles J. Rehwinkel



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DATE:

February 24, 1997

TO:

Bill Talbott, Executive Director

FROM:

Charles J. Rehwinkel, Assistant to Commissioner Deason

RE:

Notice of Employment Offer per APM Section 5.02

By way of this memo I am providing the notice required under APM section 5.02 that I have accepted an offer of employment from Sprint Corporation. The offer was extended on February 20 and I accepted it today. (See also attached e-mail.) Please distribute this notice as may be required under the provisions of Section 5-02(B)(1)(c).

#### 2/26/97

Blanca Bayo, Director of Records and Reporting

This is to advise you that Charles Rehwinkel has accepted a job with Sprint Corporation and will not be working on docketed or undocketed matters relating to Sprint.

Please identify any dockets in which Sprint Corporation is a party and notify all interested parties in those dockets.

Thank you.

c: Commissioner Deason

Paul Nichols, Chief of Personnel

Mary Bane, Deputy Executive Director/Technical

Jack Shreve, Public Counsel



-M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M-

DATE: February 26, 1997

TO: Bill Talbott, Executive Director

FROM: Charles J. Rehwinkel, Assistant to Commissioner Deason

RE: Notification of My Employment by Sprint

I have identified the following dockets as cases where Sprint or any affiliate or predecessor may have a direct or indirect interest. Please place this and the attached memorandum in the docket file of each of the listed cases. For the duration of my employment here I will not be discussing any aspect of the following cases with Commissioner Deason.

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February 24, 1997

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FROM:

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rinted by Charles Rehwinkel 2/24/97 4:17pm rom: Charles Rehwinkel CONFIRMED 'o: Bill Talbott Subject: fwd: Notice of Job Offer :C: Rob Vandiver, Terry Deason 3**ill**, Although this is not the official notice required under APM section 3.02, I wanted to let you know as soon as possible that I had a disscussion today with Jerry Johns of Sprint Corporation. Jerry extended an offer of employment. I have not yet decided whether to accept the offer. I advised Commissioner Deason yesterday that I had a meeting with Mr. Johns scheduled for today wherein I thought that he would want to discuss employment with the Company. Last Thursday night at the PURC conference in Gainesville Mr. Johns indicated that he wanted to schedule a meeting to discuss filling a vacancy in the legal department. At the time the discussion centered more around any recommendations I would have for filling that vacancy. I intend to follow this email up with a formal memo. However, since the 5 working day deadline for reporting contacts is drawing near and

I intend to follow this email up with a formal memo. However, since the 5 working day deadline for reporting contacts is drawing near and because of this afternoon's developments, I wanted to be sure to notify you as quickly as possible. I am copying Rob Vandiver due to his capacity as counsel to the Commissioners.

Thanks. I acknowledge and await your memo with regret.

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# Public Service Commission

**DATE:** March 3, 1997

TO:

DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (BAYO) FPSC-RECORDS/REPORTING

FROM: OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL (MILLER)

RE:

DOCKET NO. 960598-TP

Please issue the attached Notice of Advisory Committee Meeting and send the Florida Administrative Weekly Notice to the Department of State.

CBM/jb

Attachments

cc:

Richard Tudor

Karen Cox

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Susan F. Clark Commissioner



Gerald L. Gunter Building 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850 (904) 413-6040 FAX (904) 413-6395

### Public Service Commission

March 25, 1997



Ms. Ruth S. Brown 6 Walcott Drive Boynton Beach, Florida 33462-7008 FPSC-RECORDS/REPORTING

Dear Ms. Brown:

Thank you for your letter of January 20, 1997, regarding the selection of MCI as Florida's relay service provider. I apologize for the lateness of my response. The change of the Commission's Chair at the beginning of the year caused some confusion that was responsible for the delay.

In your letter, you complained of not receiving a response directly from me. At the time the Commission voted to retain MCI as Florida's relay provider, I was serving as the Commission's Chairman. As Chairman, I endeavored to promptly answer all consumer correspondence directed to my attention. I received and answered numerous inquiries on this issue. I did not, however, receive the letter you sent in October of 1996, as it was addressed to the Commission's Division of Communications.

I believe when you understand the process followed by the Commission in selecting a relay provider, you will agree that the process was fair and resulted in the selection of the best overall proposal. On August 14, 1996, the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) issued its Request for Proposal (RFP) for relay service. The RFP described the relay service that should be provided beginning June 1, 1997. Each bidder was required to submit its bid on the basis of a three-year contract. Bids were received from 1) AT&T Communications of the Southern States, Inc. (AT&T), 2) MCI Telecommunications Corporation (MCI), and 3) Sprint Communications Company, Limited Partnership (Sprint).

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Ms. Ruth S. Brown March 25, 1997 Page 2

consisting of three FPSC staff members and two Advisory Committee members, evaluated each proposal. The price proposals were submitted in sealed envelopes separate from the company's technical proposal and were opened on November 18, 1996. This arduous review process took some six weeks to complete.

Part of the technical proposal included references from other states where the companies submitting the proposals are operating, and points were awarded according to the feedback received. Although both Sprint and AT&T received more points than MCI in this area, there was not enough difference to offset MCI's price advantage (lower price).

Based on PRC's evaluation of the technical proposals and the results of the price proposals, staff recommended that a letter of intent be issued notifying all bidders that MCI should be awarded the contract as Provider of the Florida Telecommunications Relay System. The letter of intent was sent by certified mail on December 2, 1996.

While the selection process has been completed, we intend to ensure that MCI meets the quality of service criteria as specified in its contract. Under the existing contract, MCI is required to answer 90% of all calls on a daily basis within 25 seconds after the last digit dialed. In January and February, MCI answered 96.3% and 92.4%, respectively. However, it is possible that there may be periods within a day when, due to heavy loads, they do not meet this objective. The answer time objective in the new contract has been changed to answering 90% of all calls within 20 seconds.

Staff engineers regularly make test calls to the relay service (both voice and TTY) and if any problems occur, such as slow answer time, blockages, lack of courtesy, etc., MCI will be requested to provide the reasons for the service problems and the action that has been or will be taken to resolve the problems. This program has been effective, however, if you encounter quality of service problems that are not adequately addressed by MCI, please contact our Consumer Affairs toll free number (TDD and voice) at 1-800-342-3552.

As for the problem you have encountered with misspelled words, the Commission does not monitor this item during our test calls. However, I encourage you to pass along to MCI any information concerning specific communications assistants who consistently

misspell words. Also, I will communicate your concern to MCI and inquire as to their procedures for minimizing misspellings.

Thank you again for your letter. I hope the above information is helpful in understanding how MCI was selected. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mr. Richard Tudor of the Commission's staff at (904) 413-6600.

Sincerely,

Susan F. Clark Commissioner

SFC: kp

c: Division of Records and Reporting (DN960598-TP)
Ms. Martha McMillin, MCI

### 6 Walcott Drive Boynton Beach FL 33462-7008 January 20, 1997

Susan F. Clark, Chairman Public Service Commission Capital Circle Office Center 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee FL 32399-0850

Dear Ms. Clark:

I was extremely upset to learn that the PSC awarded MCI another contract for Florida Relay Services, in view of many complaints from the deasf and hard of hearing community about its prior service.

Since that time, there have been more delays online waiting for service from MCI operators, and more gross examples of misspellings in TDD conversations.

I see that you are very well-paid and very isolated from the public--but have ample opportunities to meet with public service providers. Why do I say this? Because my previous letter did not reach you but went to the Division of Communications (Walter D'Haessleer, Director) and was signed by Les Sawyer for Don McDonald, U.S./Comm. Engineer Supervisor, Bureau of Service Evaluation, and ended up in Docket No. 960598-TP, Record 2380.

What a sham! This kind of service I get for my tax dollars! Do you sleep well at night with your conscience? I should think not.

Yours truly,

Ruth S. Brown

Reth S. Brown.



#### State of Florida

### -M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M-

**DATE:** April 16, 1997

TO: Blanca Bayó, Director, Records and Reporting

FROM: Joy Kelly, Chief, Bureau of Reporting

RE: DOCKET NO. 941117, MEETING HELD 4-10-97

RE: Implementation of Florida Telecommunications Access System Act of 1991.

DOCUMENT NO: 03803, 4-15-97

The transcript for the above-described hearing has been completed and is forwarded for placement in the docket file, including attachments.

Please note that Staff distribution of this transcript was made to:

LEGAL, AFAD, CMU

The following exhibits are being filed with this transcript:

NONE

The following exhibits have not been furnished to the Bureau of Reporting to date and do not accompany this transcript:

NONE

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### Public Service Commission

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**DATE:** August 12, 1997

RECORDS AND REPORTING TO:

FROM: CINDY MILLER, OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL

ORDER RELATING TO TASA RE:

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Please issue the attached order at your convenience.

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Attachment

Richard Tudor

Laura King

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# Public Service Commission

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**DATE:** October 20, 1997

TO: BLANCA BAYO, DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING

FROM: CINDY MILLER, OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL ()

RE: DOCKET NO. 960598-TP - FAW AND FPSC NOTICE ON TASA

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE** 

Please issue the attached FPSC notice and send the FAW notice to the Department of State.

CBM/jb Attachments

cc: Richard Tudor

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#### TASA Advisory Committee October 17, 1997

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<u>Coalition for Persons with Dual Sensory Disabilities</u> Vacant

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Mrs. Rita Slater P.O. Box 860235 St. Augustine, FL 32086-0235

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→ Florida League of Seniors Position Vacant

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#### <u>Other Contacts</u> ( Not members)

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Bryan E. Carrell /Kim Wobschall, TRS General Manager MCI 325 John Knox Road 10120 Cromwell Lane Mokena, IL 60448 (904) 708-478-8752 Suite 105 - Atrium Bldg. Tallahassee, FL 32303 (904) 297-2125 (800) 277-6336 Fax - (904) 385-2892 Mr. Robert Giuntoli FRS Program Mgr., FRS Southeast Financial Center 200 S. Biscayne Blvd., Suite 600 Miami, FL 33131-5310 (305) 372-7212 Mr. Don Brant Deaf Service Center 3445 NE 2nd Street Ocala, FL 34470 Mr. Norman "Doc" Horton Attorney at Law Messer, Caparello, Maida & Self Suite 701 215 S. Monroe Street Mr. James Forstall †TRI 1311 N. Paul Russell Road Suite 101-B Tallahassee, FL 32301-4860 (904) 656-1414 1-800-222-3448 (904) 878-3471 FAX PO Box 1876 Tallahassee, FL 32302-1876 (904) 222-0720 FAX (904) 224-4359 ∄ill\_McClelland, TRS **J**Mr. Charles Estes Sr. Technical Manager MCI 2400 N. Glenville Drive Richardson, TX 75082 (972) 918-7790 Voice (972) 918-7791 TTY (972) 918-6068 fax 500 2nd Avenue, SE Cedar Rapids, IA 52401



### -M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M-

**DATE:** December 4, 1997

TO: Blanca Bayó, Director, Records and Reporting

FROM: Joy Kelly, Chief, Bureau of Reporting

RE: DOCKET NO. 960598-TP, TASA MEETING HELD 11-13-97

RE: Implementation of Florida Telecommunications Acess system Act of 1991.

DOCUMENT NO: 12278, 12-2-97

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Acknowledged by:

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FPSC - Records/Reporting

DATE: February 25, 1998

TO: DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (BAYO) FROM: CINDY MILLER, OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL

DOCKET NO. 960598-TP - ORDER ON TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACCESS RE:

SYSTEM ACT.

98-0331-FOK-TP

Please issue the attached order at your convenience.

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Attachment

Richard Tudor

Laura King

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# Public Service Commission

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**DATE:** March 16, 1998

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TO:

DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (BAYO) - Records/Reporting

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Please issue the attached order at your convenience.

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### Public Service Commission

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FPSC - Records/Reporting

**DATE:** May 28, 1998

TO: DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING

FROM: CINDY MILLER, OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL

RE:

DOCKET NO. 960598-TP - IMPLEMENTATION OF FLORIDA

TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACCESS SYSTEM ACT OF 1991.

PSC-98-0757-FOF-TP

The attached order is ready for issuance at your earliest convenience.

CBM/jb Attachment

cc:

Richard Tudor

Laura King

ATTACHMENT(S) NOT ON-LINE

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#### State of Florida

Joe Garcia Commissioner



Capital Circle Office Center 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

(850) 413-6042 Fax: (850) 413-6395

# Public Service Commission

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Blanca Bayó

Director, Division of Records and Reporting

FROM:

Jorge Cruz-Bustillo Tes

Executive Assistant to Commissioner Garcia

RE:

Written Communication Regarding Docket No. 960598-TP

Pursuant to Section 350.042, Florida Statutes

DATE:

September 8, 1998

This office has received the attached correspondence. The correspondence has not been viewed or considered in any way by the Commissioner. Under the terms of the advisory opinion from the Commission on Ethics (issued July 24, 1991, as CEO 91-31-July 19, 1991) this letter does not constitute an *ex parte* communication by virtue of the fact that it was not shown to the Commissioner. Because it is *not* deemed to be an *ex parte* communication, it does not require dissemination to parties pursuant to the provisions of Section 350.042, Florida Statutes. In cases such as this, the Commissioner has requested, however, that such correspondence be placed on the record in the correspondence side of the docket.

Note: This communication was received via U.S. mail.

JCB:ks

#### JOSEPH C. SCHAD

9545 Trivolo Place Boca Raton, FL 33434 (561) 487-5722

August 31, 1998

Florida Public Service Commission Capital Service Office Center 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Att: Ms. Laura King

#### Gentlemen:

In reply to the comments in reply to our May 5th meeting it seems Ms. Slater can't decide which side of the fence she is on. On the question of reducing the price charged on telephones from .12 to .11 she mentioned that the moneys could be better spent on increase in salaries. (Employee advantage - consumers disadvantage)

She voted affirmatively for the issuance of electrolarynx to laryngectomees in Florida (Client advantage)

Only supply the electrolarynxs to those clients who do not have Medicaid, Medicare or private insurance. (Client disadvantage)

It seems that Ms Slater does not realize that the Americans with Disabilities Act or the Telephone Access Systems Act was to aid ALL handicapped people in the state of Florida not only the hearings impaired.

Submitted with comment,

JOSEPH C. SCHAD FLASHA

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FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMM. Commissioner Garcia

#### JOSEPH C. SCHAD

9545 Trivolo Place Boca Raton, FL 33434 (561) 487-5722

August 31, 1998

Florida Public Service Commission Capital Service Office Center 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Att: Ms. Laura King

#### Gentlemen:

I regret that I haven't been funded to be represented by council but since the FTRI seems to resist the very basic thought behind the Telephone Access Systems Act and their attorney referring to section F.S. 427-703 "or any other Customer premises telecommunications equipment specifically designed or used to provide basic access to telecommunication services.

By taking "Customer premises telecommunications equipment" out of context it looks as if the FTRI can only supply the equipment originally designated.

Since the original description as described on page one of the Florida Telecommunications Relay application reads as follows:

The "Telecommunications Access Act of 1991 (Chapter 427, Part III Florida Statues) authorizes Florida Telecommunications Relay, Inc. to provide specialized telecommunications devices to provide access to Florida telecommunications systems for the deaf, hard of hearing, dual sensory impaired or SPEECH IMPAIRED citizens.

I trust that our request for the electrolarynx will be reconsidered in view of the above.

Submitted with comment.

JOSEPH C, SCHAD

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#### JOSEPH C. SCHAD

9545 Trivolo Place Boca Raton, FL 33434 (561) 487-5722

August 25, 1998

Mr. Richard Tudor, Assistant Director Division of Communications Florida Public Service Commissio Capital Circle Office Center 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-850

Dear Mr. Tudor.

I have the report regarding the negative decision on the electrolarynx for the speech impaired.

As pointed out, hearing aids are not supplied to the hard of hearing but they have some reception of sound and therefore are not reliant on this for telephone usage. The amplifier telephone can be of use since they still have some sound recognition

The laryngectomee on the other hand is entirely MUTE as lung air does not pass into the mouth cavity to produce sound. The amplifier telephone does no good as sound must be produced by lung air passing through the larynx which has been surgically removed.

The electrolarynx supplies vibrations to substitute for lung air and sound can be produced

It seems that we are pikers when it comes to adding charges to our telephone bills, we are only charging 12¢ per line and the FCC is charging \$ 1.78 and paying the CEO of the administrating organization \$ 200,000.00 per year plus a \$ 50,000.00 performance bonus.

I trust that the meeting on September 1st will reconsider the electrolarynx as a durable piece of equipment that is necessary to give the laryngectomee access to the telephone.

Very truly yours,

JOSEPH C. SCHAD Advisory committee





JULY 25, 1998

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2540 SHUMARD OAK BOULEVARD
TALLAHASSEE, FL. 32399-0850

DEAR MR. D'HAESELEER;

IN RESPONSE TO YOUR LETTER OF JUNE 10, 1998, I HAVE ANSWERED THE QUESTIONS OF YOUR REQUEST.

- 1. PROVIDE A LIST OF ELECTROLARYNX UNITS (BRAND NAME AND MODEL NUMBER) THAT I BELIEVE ARE MOST OFTEN PURCHASED BY LARYNGECTOMEES.
  - A. SIEMENS SERVOX INTON, SEEMS BY FAR THE BEST ONE IN THE MARKET, AND THE ONE THAT MOST LARYNGECTOMEES SEEM TO END UP WITH IN THE LONG RUN. I DO NOT HAVE UP TO DATE PRICES, BUT THEY RANGE FROM \$580.00 TO \$675.00 DEPENDING. I WOULD GUESS YOU WOULD GET BETTER QUOTES DEALING DIRECT.
  - B. BIVONA MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES OUT OF GARY, INDIANA, HAS BOTH THE "NU-VOIS" UNIT WHICH OPERATES ON A 9 VOLT BATTERY. THEY ARE ALSO MAKE A NEWER MODEL CALLED THE OPTI-VOX. I DO NOT HAVE PRICES ON EITHER OF THESE.
- 2. WHAT PERCENTAGE OF THE COST OF AN ELECTROLARYNX UNIT IS COVERED BY MEDICARE, MEDICAID, OR ANY MEDICAL INSURANCE?

MEDICARE, AND MOST INSURANCE COMPANIES WILL COVER APPROX., 80%. MEDICAID COVERS NO PART OF THE INSTRUMENT/

3. PLEASE ESTIMATE THE NUMBER OF CURRENT LARYNGECTOMEES IN THE STATE. PLEASE ESTIMATE THE NUMBER OF NEW LARYNGECTOMEES PER YEAR.

To date I would say their are around 2,000 Laryngectomees State-wide. Yet many fall through the cracks as you can see from the letter I received from a newer laryngectomee

IN THE LAST WEEK. I FEEL THAT WE HAVE AS MANY AS 200 NEW LARYNGECTOMEES IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA, YEARLY.

HOPE THE FORGOING INFORMATION IS HELPFUL IN MAKING A DECISION. I KNOW THAT THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION WILL REALLY FILL A VOID THAT HAS BEEN OVERLOOKED FOR TO MANY YEARS, WHEN IT COMES TO THE SUCCESS, OF THE LARYNGECTOMEE RETURNING TO A FULL LIFE, AFTER WHAT THE CANCER HAS DONE. ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS, FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ME.

SINCERELY:

EARL C. MOGK F.L.A., PRESIDENT 141 ELEUTHERA DRIVE DANIA, FL. 33004 (954-929-0136)

### JOSEPH C. SCHAD

9545 Trivolo Place Boca Raton, FL 33434 (561) 487-5722

June 20, 1998

Public Service Commission
Division of Communications
Executive Circle, 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee. FL 32301

Att: Mr. Walter Haeseleer

Director

Dear Mr. Haeseleer:

Following up on our meeting of May 5th, I would like to suggest two of the most popular electrolarynxs on the market today.

1. Siemens "Intone" electrolarynx, dual button, 7.2 special battery with charger and leather case Current retail price: \$ 495.00

Should come equipped with oral adapter and several extra tubings.

Manufacturer: Siemens Hearings Instruments, Inc.

16 East Piper Lane

Prospect Heights, IL 60070 David Sutton, Manager

2. NuVois electrolarynx, single button, standard 9 v battery, charger, oral adapter and tubings.

Approximate price 525.00

Manufacturer: Mountain Precision Mfg. Co.

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ise, ID 83713 Kurt Breski

About 90% of all laryngectomees use the Siemens "Intone, 5% the Nu-Vois and the balance split up among four or five other makes.

These instruments are covered under Medicare and FTRI can be reimbursed up to 80% of \$486.15 if you can get a Medicare Provider number.

If I can be of any further service to you please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

JOSEPH C. SCHAD

Representing Florida Language and Speech and Hearing Association (FLASHA)

Medicaid reimbursement: None over the ago of 21

Medicare 80% of \$ 486.15 HMO On an individual basis

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Estimated number of laryngectomees in the state of Florida: 2,000

Estimated number of new laryngectomees per year: 200

Losses due to attrition: 100 (Cancer of the throat is an ailment of generally elderly people)

### JOSEPH C. SCHAD

9545 Trivolo Place Boca Raton, FL 33434 (561) 487-5722

May 30, 1998

Mr. Richard Tudor, Assistant Director Division of Communications Florida Public Service Commission Capital Circle Office Center 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Dear Mr. Tudor,

Following up on my presentation at the Advisory Committee meeting on May 5th we again would like to point out the American With Disabilities Act of 1990 as amended in the Feberal Register Vol. 56 No. 148 dated August 1, 1991 "Rules and Regulation" page 36733.

#### § 64.606 FURNISHING RELATED CUSTOMER PREMISES EQUIPMENT.

(a) Any communications common carrier may provide, under tariff, customer premises equipment, other than hearing aid compatible telephones as defined in part 68 of this chapter needed by persons with hearing, SPEECH, vision or mobility disabilities. Such equipment may be provided by persons with those disabilities or to associations or institutions who require such equipment regularly to communicate with persons with disabilities. Examples of such equipment include, but are not limited to, ARTIFICAL LARYNXES, bone conductor receivers and TT's.

FLORIDA TELEPHONE ACCESS SYSTEMS ACT OF 1991.

#### 427-702 FINDINGS. PURPOSE AND LEGISLATIVE INTENT.

(3) (c) That the telecommunications access systems includes the distribution of telecommunication devices for the deaf [SPEECH IMPAIRED?] that are comparable with the telephone communications relay service system and has the capability of incorporating new technologies as they develop.

#### 427-703 DEFINITIONS.

(11) "Specialized telecommunications device" means a TDD, a volume control handset, a ring signaling device or any other CUSTOMER PREMISES TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT SPECIFICALLY DESIGNED TO PROVIDE BASIC ACCESS to hearing impaired, SPEECH IMPAIRED, or dual sensory impaired person.

All of the above should give the Florida Telecommunication Relays, Inc. the necessary authority to distribute electrolarynxes to all of the laryngectomees (loss of voice because of cancer) mainly those over 21 who are not covered by MEDICAID and those under 65 not covered my MEDICARE.

Very truly yours.

JOSEPH C. SCHAD FLASHA Advisory Committee, Florida Public Service Commission

### O.C.ELDRIDGE 76 Sincero Drive Watsonville CA 95076 April 21, 1998

Mr. Joseph C. Schad 9545 Trivolo Place Boca Raton, Fl. 33434-5629

Dear Mr. Schad,

Enclosed please find a copy of the letter I received from you yesterday requesting data on the electrolarynx arrangement we are now enjoying and have been since 1987.

In order to give you the best possible answer, I took the liberty to add, in addition to your letter, an up to date copy of the California Telephone Equipment Loan Program, a copy of the original letter we received in 1987 as to their program, a copy of a flyer they sent out recently, but now outmoded, the current flyer of Pacific Bell's telephone numbers, their Responsibility letter.

The program has worked like a charm with, of course, several glitches which have been attributed to their personnel not understanding the law. Two years ago they instituted a survey to determine the most accepted electrolarynx, finally came up with the NU-VOIS, which they use extensively. It is my understanding that the Cooper-Rand was available until sometime back. They determined that as long as the oral adapter was included, it served the purpose for those with healing neck areas.

The California Association of Laryngectomees are and have for months been addressing that particular problem. It is their feeling, and rightfully so, that the laryngectomee should be given more latitude in the selection. Financially the program has been a huge success. I look for some changes in the near future. It is a point you might consider. In other words, plug the loop holes. Primarily it is a matter of understanding and education as so many have no idea what a selection means to those who have no voice. I had one employee at the phone company say "what difference does it make?" She since has found out.

Sincerely,

O. Clark Eldridge

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# Service and Rehabilitation

Circular Letter to all Units of the California Division, Inc.

June 16, 1987 #87-23

#### SUBJECT: FREE ELECTROLARYNK THROUGH CALIFORNIA PHONE COMPANIES

Under a new statewide program that went into effect June 8, 1987, Pacific Bell, General Telephone and other local telephone companies are now providing equipment at no cost to assist people with disabilities to communicate over the phone. In the past, only the hearing-impaired were eligible to receive Telecommunication Devices for the Deaf (TDDs). Now people with any disability are eligible, including those with laryngectomies, due to a bill (SB 60) that was signed into law in 1985. ACS actively supported this bill as part of an effective lobbying effort following Ma Bell divestiture to return TTDs back to state companies and away from AT&T control.

The new program, to be administered by the Deaf Equipment Acquisition Fund (D.E.A.F.), is funded by California telephone customers through a monthly surcharge on their phone bills (currently \$.03, but not to exceed \$.10 under the law). Equipment designated for speech-impaired individuals includes: 1) the TTD - a compact machine that conveys the sender's typed message to a central relay which then converts written into spoken communication for the receiver; 2) the Western Electric type C model electrolarynx; and 3) a standard G-7 handset to increase the volume of the user's voice. There are a range of devices available to individuals with other disabilities.

To qualify, a person must live in California and present their local phone company with a certificate verifying the disability by a licensed physician or the Department of Rehabilitation. No financial information is requested. An application form can be obtained by calling Pacific Bell's state office or any local office as noted on the attached list. The applicant should designate whether they will pick up their equipment or wish it mailed directly to their home.

If repairs are needed, the person must simply return the defective device in exchange for a new one. These devices are considered "on loan" to the recipient and must be returned should the person move out of state. Questions about program logistics should be directed to Pacific Bell's state office.

Please alert members of your local Lost Chord Club, head and neck surgeons and speech pathologists about this new law. Newly diagnoses patients will receive a fact sheet in the laryngectomy visitor kit.

ROUTING:

Service, Professional Education, Communication

ACTION:

Circulate information ASAP to interested parties.

SOURCE:

Helen Crothers

#### FLORIDA TELECOMMUNICATIONS RELAY, INC.

1311-B PAUL RUSSELL ROAD, SUITE 203 TALLAHASSEE, FL 32301 (904) 656-1414

September 27, 1991

Mr. Joseph C. Schad 9545 Trivolo Place Boca Raton, FL 33434

Dear Mr. Schad:

This is to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of October 16, 1991 which was forwarded to this office from the Florida Public Service Commission.

We have requested copies of the laws you cited in your letter for a review and a response.

The Florida Telecommunications Relay, Inc, (FTR) is charged with the responsibility to distribute special telecommunications devices to eligible hearing and speech impaired residents of the state of Florida. This means it will be our responsibility to determine how to best access the telecommunications network for each particular individual. For instance, a person with speech impairment who needs an electrolarynx and in-depth training should contact the local Division of Vocational Rehabilitation office or a local facility that offers this service to find out what funding source(s) may be available for this purpose. Then after mastering the use of the electrolarynx FTR would be the most appropriate agency to contact for assistance in accessing the telecommunications network.

FTR welcomes suggestions as to how the FTR can effectively serve telecommunications needs of individuals with different types of speech impairment. FTR can be reached at 1-800-222-3448.

This is to assure you that both the FTR and the PSC Advisory Committee are committed to fulfill the telecommunications access needs of persons with speech impairment.

A letter of response to the laws you mentioned earlier will follow.

Thank you for your interest in FTR.

Sincerely,

Herb Pickell

Executive Director



# Florida House of Representatives

T. K. Wetherell, Speaker Committee on Regulatory Reform

Jack N. Tobin
Chairman
Corrine Brown
Vice Chairman

June 26, 1991

Mr. Joseph C. Schad 9545 Trivolo Place Boca Raton, FL 33434

Dear Mr. Schad:

At the request of Representative Jack Tobin, I am responding to your letter of May 24, 1991, regarding House Bill 2087. That bill was the result of the Sundown Review of the Florida Council for the Hearing Impaired. To my knowledge, it was not intended to be patterned after any other legislation. I believe you are referring to House Bill 2427, the "Telecommunications Access System Act of 1991", which the Committee on Regulated Services and Technology drafted and passed.

House Bill 2427 addresses the speech impaired as well as the hearing impaired population. In Section 1., the legislation specifically states:

"It is the declared purpose of this part to establish a system whereby the citizens of Florida who are hearing impaired, speech impaired, or dual sensory impaired have access to basic telecommunications services at a cost no greater than that paid by other telecommunications services customers, and whereby the cost of specialized telecommunications equipment necessary to ensure that citizens who are hearing impaired, speech impaired, or dual sensory impaired have access to basic telecommunications services and the provision of telecommunications relay service is borne by all the telecommunications customers of the state."

The legislative intent section states:

"That a telecommunications access system be established to provide equitable basic access to the telecommunications network for persons who are hearing impaired, speech impaired, or dual sensory impaired."

Gloria Crawford Henderson, Staff Director 208 House Office Building Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1300 (904)488-0996 This may cover your concerns; however, you may wish to communicate with Susan Cituk of the Regulated Services and Technology Committee if there is a question as to whether the group you represent and their need for electrolarynx equipment is included in this law. Her phone number is 904/487-4113. If legislation is needed, I believe this act would be the place to put it.

I am enclosing a copy of HB 2427. Please contact us if we can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Susan D. Reese

Legislative Analyst

SDR.tm attachment

cc: Rep. Jack Tobin



If you are deaf, hard of hearing, dual sensory impaired or speech impaired, and a resident of Florida, you may be eligible to receive equipment that will provide you access to the telephone system...

The "Telecommunications Access System Act of 1991" (Chapter 427, Part III, Florida Statutes) authorizes Florida Telecommunications Relay, Inc., to provide specialized telecommunications devices to provide access to Florida's telecommunications system for deaf, hard of hearing, dual sensory impaired, and speech impaired citizens.

### **Equipment That Is Available:**

[Category A - Equipment]

TDD - Telecommunications Device for the Deaf



A TDD is a portable machine that looks like a typewriter. A user can send and receive typewritten messages to and from other TDDs via a telephone. For persons who also have visual impairments a large visual display or braille printer modification is available.

#### **Volume Control Telephones**



Volume Control Telephones can increase volume in one of two ways: For people who need assistance hearing on the telephone, volume in the receiver can be increased. For people with speech impairment, needing more volume in their speaking, volume can be increased to make outgoing sounds louder. Both telephones are like normal telephones with a button or dial to increase the volume.

# Ring Signalers [Category B Equipment]

There are devices to let deaf, hard of hearing, and speech impaired people know when their telephone is ringing. These are known as ring signalers. There are three types of ring signalers:

#### (1) Visual Ring Signaler



A Visual Ring Signaler connects to a light source (a lamp) and makes the light flash when the telephone rings.

#### (2) Audible Ring Signaler



An Audible Ring Signaler, rings very loudly to alert a hard of hearing person to a telephone ringing. Many volume control telephones have an audible ring signaler built into them, so for those users, an audible ring signaler may or may not be necessary.

#### (3) Tactile Ring Signaler

A Tactile Ring Signaler is available for people who are unable to hear and also have visual difficulties that would prevent them from seeing a visual ring signaler. It vibrates to alert a user to a telephone ringing. These ring signalers are available only to dual sensory impaired persons.

An eligible applicant may receive up to one piece of equipment from Category A and one piece of equipment from Category B. All recipients of equipment will receive introductory training unless training is declined on the application. Introductory training will teach a user the basic operation of the equipment as well as how to set it up. For those who receive a TDD, Advanced training is available on request. Advanced training provides instruction on the features of the TDD provided by FTR that go beyond normal TDD operation, such as: memory, special print options, and international dialing.

#### Who is Eligible?

To receive any of the above equipment, an applicant must be a Florida resident at least five years of age and be certified as eligible under one of the following categories: deaf, hard of hearing, dual sensory impaired or speech impaired. These categories are defined as follows:

**Deaf** – Having a permanent hearing impairment and being unable to discriminate speech sounds in verbal communication with or without the assistance of amplification devices.

Hard of Hearing – Having a permanent hearing impairment which is severe enough to necessitate the use of amplification devices to discriminate speech sounds and verbal communication.

Dual Sensory Impaired - Having both a permanent hearing impairment and a permanent visual impairment and includes deaf/blindness.

Speech Impaired Having a permanent loss of verbal communication ability which prohibits normal usage of a standard telephone handset.

### Who Can Certify an Application?

By law, in order to certify an application a person must be one of the following:

Licensed Physician Speech Pathologist Audiologist Deaf Service Center Director State Certified Teacher in Hearing Impairment State Certified Teacher in Visual Impairment

Representative of an Appropriate State or Federal Agency

An application that is not signed by an eligible certifier will not be approved. By signing the application, a certifier is attesting to the following:

- 1). He/she is eligible to certify under the provisions of the law;
- 2). He/she has reviewed the applicant's hearing or speech to determine the applicant is eligible;
- He/she has determined what equipment will most appropriately meet the needs of the applicant, based upon the hearing loss or speech impairment.
- 4). He/she has reviewed the information provided by the applicant to make sure the form is completed properly and all information requested has been provided.
- 5). An actual signature (not a stamped signature) from the certifier must be present for the application to be approved.

APPLICANT: KEEP THIS PAGE AND THE LAST PAGE OF THE APPLICATION FOR YOUR RECORDS. MAIL THE REST OF THE APPLICATION IN THE ACCOMPANYING ENVELOPE TO:

Florida Telecommunications Relay, Inc. 1311 North Paul Russell Road, Suite B203 Tallahassee, Florida 32301-4860

Be sure to put enough postage on the envelope. If you have questions or problems, call 1-800-222-3448 (Voice, TDD)

JOSEPH C. SCHAD 9545 <u>Tri volo Place</u>

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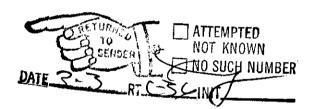
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# Public Service Commission



DATE: November 17, 1998

DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING TO:

FROM: OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL (MILLER) € NE: DOCKET NO. 960598-TP

98-1521-FOF -TP

Attached is an order to be issued in the above docket. Please issue at your earliest convenience.

CBM/jb Attachment

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# Public Service Commission

DATE:

February 3, 1999

TO:

DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (BAYO)

FROM:

CINDY MILLER, OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL/1///

RE:

**DOCKET NO. 960598-TP** 

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Attached is an FAW Notice and Notice of Advisory Committee Meeting to be issued in the above docket. Please issue at your convenience.

CBM/jb Attachments

cc:

Richard Tudor

Laura King

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# Public Service Commission

### -M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M-

**DATE:** March 12, 1999

TO: Blanca Bayó, Director, Records and Reporting

FROM: Joy Kelly, Chief, Bureau of Reporting

RE: DOCKET NOS. 960598-TP, MEETING HELD 3-8-99

RE: IMPLEMENTATION OF FLORIDA TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACCESS

SYSTEM ACT OF 1991

DOCUMENT NO. 03162, 3-11-99

The transcript for the above transcribed hearing has been completed and is forwarded for placement in the docket file, including attachments.

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# Public Service Commission



**DATE:** March 24, 1999

TO: DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (BAYO) FROM: CINDY MILLER, OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL

**DOCKET NO. 960598-TP** RE:

99-0541-FOF-TP

Please issue the attached order at your earliest convenience.

CBM/jb Attachment

Richard Tudor

Due to Commission-wide pomer outage, orde. not issued until 5/10/99.

# Public Service Commission



DATE: May 5, 1999

TO: DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (BAYO)

FROM: OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL (MILLER)

RE: DOCKET NO. 960598-TP

99-0902-PAA

Please issue the attached PAA Order at your convenience.

CBM/jb

Attachment/Order

cc: Division of Communications (Tudor, King)

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DATE:

June 1, 1999

TO:

DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (BAYO)

FROM:

OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL (MILLER)

RE:

DOCKET NO. 960598-TP - CONSUMMATING ORDER

99-1121-CO

Attached is a consummating order to be issued for the above noted docket. Please issue at your earliest convenience.

CBM/jb Attachment

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Public Service Commission

DATE:

July 27, 1999

TO:

DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING (BAYO)

FROM:

OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL (MILLER)

RE:

**DOCKET NO. 960598-TP** 

Please issue the attached Notice of Advisory Committee Meeting and the attached FAW Notice at your earliest convenience.

CBM/jb

Attachment

cc:

Richard Tudor

Laura King Chuck Hill

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# Public Service Commission

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**DATE:** August 9, 1999

TO:

Division of Records and Reporting (Bayo)

FROM: Division of Policy Analysis and Intergovernmental Liaison (Miller)

RE:

Docket No. 960598-TP

Please issue the attached Notice of Advisory Committee Meeting and the attached FAW Notice at your earliest convenience.

CM:tf

Attachment

cc:

Richard Tudor

Laura King

Charles H. Hill

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### State of Florida



# Public Service Commission

-M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M-

**DATE:** August 31, 1999

TO:

Division of Records and Reporting (Bayo)

FROM: Division of Policy Analysis and Intergovernmental Liaison (Miller)

RE:

Docket No. 960598-TP

Please issue the attached Notice of Cancellation of Advisory Committee Meeting at your earliest convenience.

CM:tf

Attachment

cc:

Richard Tudor

Laura King

Charles H. Hill

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# Public Service Commission

### State of Florida

### -M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M-

**DATE:** September 2, 1999

TO: Blanca Bayó, Director, Records and Reporting

FROM: Joy Kelly, Chief, Bureau of Reporting

RE: DOCKET NO. 960598-TP, ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 8-27-99.

RE: IMPLEMENTATION OF FLORIDA TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACCESS

SYSTEM ACT OF 1991.

DOCUMENT NO. 10458, 9-1--99

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### -M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M-

DATE: February 21, 2000

Blanca Bayó, Director, Records and Reporting TO:

FROM: Jane Faurot, Chief, Bureau of Reporting

RE: DOCKET NO. 960598-TP, ITEM 3 OF 1-15-00 AGENDA CONFERENCE

RE: REQUEST FOR SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS FOR RELAY SERVICE

> BEGINNING IN JUNE 1997, FOR THE HEARING AND SPEECH IMPAIRED, AND OTHER IMPLEMENTATION MATTERS IN

COMPLIANCE WITH THE FLORIDA TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACCESS

SYSTEM ACT OF 1991.

DOCUMENT NO. 02299, 2-21-00

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# Public Service Commission

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DATE: March 29, 2000

TO: DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING

FROM: MARTHA CARTER BROWN, DIVISION OF APPEALS MCB

RE: ORDER NO. 960598-TP

FILE NAME: 960598.ORD

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June 23, 2000

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VIA FACSIMILE AND OVERNIGHT CARRIER

Subject: Contract Between the Florida Public Service Commission and MCI WorldCom, dated April 8, 1997.

Dear Mr. Tudor:

On May 27, 2000 at approximately 2:30 p.m. eastern time, a train wreck occurred in Eunice, Louisiana. This wreck resulted in a catastrophic fiber cut in the network that supported the Florida Relay Service. This fiber cut was a Force Majeure event that significantly impacted capacity and call processing ability at the Florida Relay Service center in Miami, Florida. Moreover, due to the hazardous nature of the train's cargo, civil authorities did not allow repair crews into the area for eight days. Therefore, the fiber cut repairs were not completed until June 4, three (3) days after we transitioned the service to the new provider.

The catastrophic fiber cut dramatically reduced the number of consoles available for use at the FRS center. Because the T-1 circuits to many of the consoles were incapacitated due to the fiber cut, only thirty-seven (37) of the 120 total consoles were operational from the time the cut occurred until the contract was transitioned to the new provider.

Thus, the impact to the FRS center was both immediate and ongoing. During period of the Force Majeure event, there were three (3) days (5/27, 5/30 and 5/31) where answer time compliance was not achieved.

Prior to the fiber cut, on Saturday, May 27 the FRS center was performing very well and within compliance. After the fiber cut, there was a one hour period where answer times were delayed while attempts were made to determine the cause of the problem experienced by the center and to move Communication Assistants (CA's) to functional consoles. The average speed of answer increased during this time while our technical teams worked diligently to troubleshoot the problem. Performance improved once more information about the problem was available and CA's were positioned in functioning consoles. The total answer time performance for the day was 89%, just shy of the 90% compliance mark. Had this fiber cut not occurred, the center would have been compliant.

The following two (2) days (a Sunday and the Memorial Day holiday) had light traffic volume and enough positions were available to provide compliant service.

As part of the plan for transitioning the FRS to a new provider on June 1, additional staff were already scheduled at the other MCI WorldCom centers to provide increased support during the final days of the FRS transition. However, our attempts to further increase the additional staff at our other centers, beyond those already scheduled, during the final two (2) days were unsuccessful.

Call traffic was heavy on the morning of May 30. The fiber cut continued to impact the network and the ability to handle calls. After the cut, an additional problem occurred with CA login numbers being locked into the system and not being released when logouts were attempted. This required ongoing supervisor assistance and contributed to inefficiencies in getting CA's in position to handle calls.

Manual FRS traffic load balancing between all centers was performed to provide the best possible service at times of need. As part of this effort, when outside support had been maximized there were times when the Miami queue was extended to allow more calls to stay in queue rather than outflow. This was done when it was believed that, despite some delay, the larger number of staff in Miami provided the caller with the best opportunity for being served.

The overall impact of these efforts was a successful one. Despite the additional difficulties presented by this terrible event, 87% of calls were answered within 10 seconds on May 30 and 86% on May 31. Though they did not exceed the 90% standard, the results were actually quite good under the combined circumstances of the fiber cut and the contract transition.

Although the fiber cut qualifies as a Force Majeure event, MCI WorldCom worked extremely hard to minimize the impact to FRS users, and to provide quality service and a smooth transition.

Sincerely,

Alana Beal

FRS Program Manager

Don McDonald

From: Sent:

George Houck [george.houck@wcom.com]

Thursday, July 27, 2000 4:48 PM

To: 'Don McDonaid' 'Donna McNulty' Cc:

Subject:

Force Majeure event - FRS

Hello Don:

I hope all is well with you.

Donna McNulty recommended that I send you a note to offer further explanation regarding the train wreck and catastrophic fiber cut that occurred in Eunice, Louisiana on May 27, 2000.

The details of the fiber cut and the impact it had on the Miami TRS center were outlined in a June 23, 2000 letter to Richard Tudor. I was unaware of any questions that you or the other FPSC staff had regarding this information, and I apologize for any confusion this may have caused. Apparently there is a question as to how a fiber cut in Louisiana could impact the Relay Center in Miami. The explanation is that the Nortel DMS100 ACD switch that served the Miami center is located in Memphis, Tennessee. There were essentially two fiber lines that ran from the Memphis ACD to the center in Miami. One of those lines went through Louisana, the other is believed to have gone through Georgia.

This circuit design explains why when the line was cut in Louisiana, 37 still consoles remained active and able to handle calls. At the same time, however, 83 consoles were incapacitated and this severely impacted our ability to process FRS calls.

Prior to September, 1999 the Miami center was supported by a dedicated ACD that was physically located on-site. When we moved to MCI WorldCom's ISN platform in September of 1999, the networking change was made to utilize the Memphis Nortel ACD, the same state of the art ACD used by MCI WorldCom's Operator Services.

Each console at the Miami center was hard-wired with a dedicated circuit from that Memphis ACD. Once those circuits were cut, the consoles were out of commission until the fiber was repaired. Typically, fiber cuts can be repaired in a matter of hours. Because of the hazardous material on the train, authorities would not allow repair crews on the site until June 4, when the repair was completed.

This event was beyond the reasonable control of MCI WorldCom and certainly qualifies as a Force Majeure event per the FRS contract, and as such MCI WorldCom should not be held liable for failure to perform to the contractual requirements during it's duration. We respectfully request that Staff amend and reduce it's recommendated liquidated damages assessment by \$15,000, the amount associated with the 3 non-compliant days during this event.

If you have further questions, please feel free to call me at 413-493-1152. Thank you.

Sincerely, George

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