# MAY 3, 2004

RE: Docket No. 020645-TI - Compliance investigation of UKI Communications, Inc. for apparent violation of Rule 25-4.118, F.A.C., Local, Local Toll, and Toll Provider Selection.

Docket No. 031031-TI - Compliance investigation of Miko Telephone Communications, Inc. for apparent violation of Rule 25-4.118, F.A.C., Local, Local Toll, or Toll Provider Selection.

Docket No. 040062-TI - Compliance investigation of New Century Telecom, Inc. for apparent violation of Rule 25-4.118, F.A.C., Local, Local Toll, or Toll Provider Selection.

Docket No. 040289-TI - Compliance investigation of Optical Telephone Corporation for apparent violation of Rule 25-4.118, F.A.C., Local, Local Toll, or Toll Provider Selection.

<u>Issue 1</u>: Should the Commission penalize Miko Telephone Communications, Inc. \$10,000 per apparent violation, for a total of \$1,540,000 for 154 apparent violations of Rule 25-4.118, Florida Administrative Code, Local, Local Toll, or Toll Provider Selection?

Recommendation: Yes. If Miko Telephone Communications, Inc. fails to request a hearing pursuant to Section 120.57, Florida Statutes, within the 21-day response period, the facts should be deemed admitted, the right to a hearing waived, and the penalty should be deemed assessed. If the company fails to pay the amount of the penalty within fourteen calendar days after issuance of the Consummating Order, registration number TJ561 should be removed from the register, the company's tariff should be cancelled, and the company should also be required to immediately cease and desist providing intrastate interexchange telecommunications service within Florida.

# **DEFERRED**

**COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: All Commissioners** 

# COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES MAJORITY DISSENTING MAJORITY MAJORITY

## **REMARKS/DISSENTING COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Davidson participated in the conference by telephone. He agreed with this sented from the DATE majority vote and will sign the vote sheet upon return to the office.

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<u>Issue 2</u>: Should the Commission penalize New Century Telecom, Inc. \$10,000 per apparent violation, for a total of \$420,000, for 42 apparent violations of Rule 25-4.118, Florida Administrative Code, Local, Local Toll, or Toll Provider Selection?

<u>Recommendation</u>: Yes. If New Century Telecom, Inc. fails to request a hearing pursuant to Section 120.57, Florida Statutes, within the 21-day response period, the facts should be deemed admitted, the right to a hearing waived, and the penalty should be deemed assessed. If the company fails to pay the amount of the penalty within fourteen calendar days after issuance of the Consummating Order, registration number TI427 should be removed from the register, the company's tariff should be cancelled, and the company should also be required to immediately cease and desist providing intrastate interexchange telecommunications service within Florida.

Issue 3: Should the Commission penalize UKI Communications, Inc. \$250,000 for apparent violation of Proposed Agency Action Order No. PSC-03-0990-PAA-TI, issued on September 3, 2003, made final and effective by Consummating Order No. PSC-03-1078-CO-TI, issued on September 30, 2003?

Recommendation: Yes. If UKI Communications, Inc. fails to request a hearing pursuant to Section 120.57, Florida Statutes, within the 21-day response period, the facts should be deemed admitted, the right to a hearing waived, and the penalty should be deemed assessed. If the company fails to pay the amount of the penalty and the Regulatory Assessment Fees with statutory penalty and interest it was ordered to pay in PAA Order No. PSC-03-0990-PAA-TI within fourteen calendar days after issuance of the Consummating Order, the collection of the penalty and the Regulatory Assessment Fees with statutory penalty and interest should be referred to the Department of Financial Services. This docket should be closed administratively upon either receipt of the payment of the penalty and the Regulatory Assessment Fees with statutory penalty and interest or upon their referral to the Department of Financial Services.

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<u>Issue 4</u>: Should the Commission penalize Optical Telephone Corporation \$10,000 per apparent violation, for a total of \$340,000, for 34 apparent violations of Rule 25-4.118, Florida Administrative Code, Local, Local Toll, or Toll Provider Selection?

Recommendation: Yes. If Optical Telephone Corporation fails to request a hearing pursuant to Section 120.57, Florida Statutes, within the 21-day response period, the facts should be deemed admitted, the right to a hearing waived, and the penalty should be deemed assessed. If the company fails to pay the amount of the penalty within fourteen calendar days after issuance of the Consummating Order, registration number TJ551 should be removed from the register, the company's tariff should be cancelled, and the company should also be required to immediately cease and desist providing intrastate interexchange telecommunications service within Florida.

<u>Issue 5</u>: If staff's recommendation in Issue 1, Issue 2, Issue 3, or Issue 4, is approved, and the company's registration number is removed from the register, and the company's tariff is cancelled, and the company is required to immediately cease and desist providing intrastate interexchange telecommunications service within Florida, the Commission should order any company that bills for any company to cease and desist billing Florida customers for said company?

Recommendation: Yes.

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# Issue 6: Should these dockets be closed?

Recommendation: The Order for each docket issued from this recommendation will become final upon issuance of a Consummating Order, unless a person whose substantial interests are affected by the Commission's decision files a protest in the respective docket within 21 days of the issuance of the Proposed Agency Action Order. If the Commission's Order is not protested, the docket should be closed administratively upon either receipt of the payment of the penalty from the respective company cited in each docket or upon the removal of the company's registration number from the register and cancellation of the company's tariff. A protest in one docket should not prevent the action in a separate docket from becoming final, nor should any action by the Commission preempt, including but not limited to any settlement, preclude or resolve any matters under review by any other Florida Agencies or Departments.